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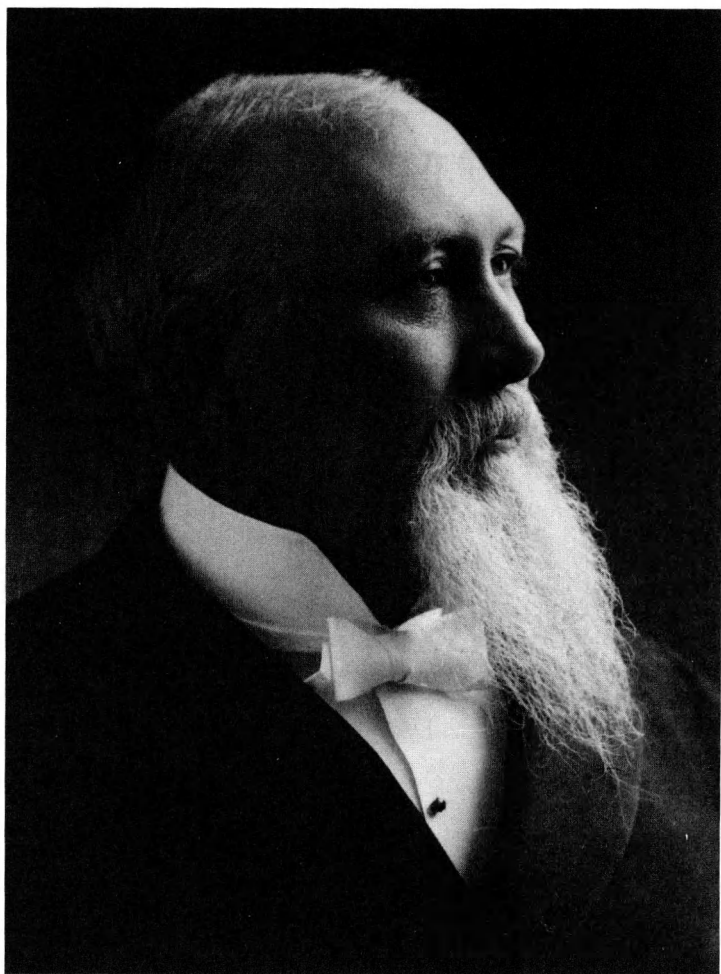
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Lettie Critchlow Bickmore
who was born in the
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INTRODUCTION

When John Henry Smith died on October 13, 1911, the *Salt Lake Tribune* described him as "prominent in all matters that concerned development of the West" and at "front rank in Utah affairs." Second counselor to his cousin Joseph F. Smith in the First Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, president of the Utah Constitutional Convention in 1895, co-founder of the Utah Republican Party, and an active participant in a dozen business enterprises, John Henry Smith had played an important role in church, state, and politics for nearly forty years.

The *Tribune*, which during this period had little good to say about any Mormon church leader, captured best the essence of John Henry's contribution to his church and his state in a front-page obituary the day of his death:

By nature and training he was admirably equipped for public duties. He had a thorough knowledge of human nature and an extensive acquaintance with prominent men not only in Utah but in the whole country as well. These qualifications, together with his faculty for making and holding friends, fitted him admirably for the positions and labors that fell to him to perform.

His easy, natural and unassuming manner were the outward signs of his straightforward character, and bespoke the possession of courage of the highest type. . . .

As a public speaker, Apostle Smith was convincing, forceful and eloquent, with the eloquence that comes from sincere earnestness. In his private conversation he exhibited the same force and was always an interesting and entertaining talker.

When the history of the rise and development of Utah shall

be written, his name will stand high in the ranks of the men who have accomplished great deeds and who have built up a commonwealth from a desert.

In an editorial on October 14, 1911, the *Tribune* again paid tribute to John Henry Smith, while continuing its condemnation of his ecclesiastical colleagues: "In general it may be said that Apostle Smith belonged to that branch of the church which reached out for a new departure, a turning away from the bigotries, the intolerances, and the exclusiveness of the past, and for getting into touch with American life and American institutions."

According to the *Tribune* editorial, it was unfortunate for the people of Utah to lose such a man as John Henry Smith: "There are too few with his way of thinking left in the church; and his influence in modifying the hard-line combativeness of the old order had been much needed. . . ." The *Salt Lake Herald-Republican*, reporting on his funeral on October 18, 1911, observed: "Not in the history of Salt Lake, perhaps never in the West before, has there been such a gathering of people of all creeds and classes as that which filled the great Mormon Tabernacle to pay last tribute and honor to President John Henry Smith yesterday noon."

In its report of the funeral on October 18 the *Tribune* noted the presence of many non-Mormons at the service. This proved, it stated, "that John Henry Smith was held in highest esteem outside of his church as well as in it." The inclusion of Rabbi Charles J. Freund as a speaker also helped to make the point that John Henry was unique for his time in his ability to reach across religious lines to the entire community.

Throughout his adult life John Henry was deeply involved in church and community affairs. In 1872, at the age of twenty-four, he began his public service as an assistant clerk in the territorial legislature. He would later serve as a member of the legislature and as a Salt Lake City Council member. In 1874 he went to England as a Mormon missionary, beginning an active career in the LDS church that he would continue as European Mission president, apostle, and finally counselor in the First Presidency.

He loved politics and brought to the political arena a magnetic personality, unusual oratorical skills, considerable organizing ability, and a talent for making peace among factions. The latter was put to the test in 1891. In anticipation of statehood he helped to bring non-Mormons from the Liberal Party and Mormons from the church-dominated People's Party together in the new Utah Republican Party. In the Republican cause he tirelessly campaigned throughout the western states and built strong ties to national Republican leaders, who could help Utah gain statehood. Because of his ability to make friends among national leaders, he was sent to Washington, D.C., on several trips when state or church interests were threatened.

His business interests were many and varied. Over the years he served as a director or officer of Zion's Cooperative Mercantile Institution; Home Furniture Company; Mexican Colonization and Agricultural Company; Heber J. Grant and Company; Cooperative (later Consolidated)

Wagon and Machine Company; Lehi, Utah, and Idaho Sugar companies; Kanab Cattle Company; Groesbeck Company; Utah National Bank; Ogden *Standard* newspaper; Utah Mexican Rubber Company; Salt Lake Theatre Company; Salt Lake and Garfield Railway; Saltair Company; Nevada Land and Cattle Company; Intermountain Cement and Brick Company; Beneficial Life; and Emigration Canyon Railroad Company. He was also active for many years in the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress, serving as president of that regional promotion and development organization.

John Henry was born to Apostle George A. Smith and Sarah Libbey Smith on September 18, 1848, at Carhuna (later Council Bluffs), Iowa. His grandfather, Patriarch John Smith, was a brother to Joseph Smith, Sr., father of the founder of the LDS church. With his family John Henry moved to Salt Lake City as an infant but was taken to Provo after the death of his mother in 1851. There he was cared for by two of his father's wives, Hannah Libbey Smith (generally referred to in his diaries as "mother") and Lucy Messerve Smith (Aunt Lucy). As a young man John Henry was employed in building railroads and as a telegraph operator before being called on a church mission in 1874.

He was married twice, first to Sarah Farr, daughter of Ogden pioneer Lorin Farr, in 1866. In 1877 he married Josephine Groesbeck, daughter of prominent businessman Nicholas Groesbeck.¹ Sarah gave birth to eleven children, three of whom died in infancy. Josephine had eight children. A devoted husband and father, John Henry kept up a brisk correspondence with his wives and children wherever he traveled. Never well-to-do, he found that obligations to two families and to church duties often left him in difficult financial circumstances.

Fortunately, there is a large amount of written material on the life of John Henry Smith. He left thirty-six volumes of holographic personal diaries, as well as a small diary written in 1874 as he prepared for a mission and traveled to England. The originals of these materials were deposited for safekeeping with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Photocopies of the thirty-six volumes were donated to the Manuscripts Division of the Special Collections Department, University of Utah Marriott Library. It is these photocopies that were used in preparing this volume. The 1874 diary is in the historical department of the LDS church and is used with permission. The diaries cover the periods 1874-75 and October 1880 until John Henry's death in 1911.

In addition to photocopies of the original diaries, the John Henry Smith Papers in the Marriott Library include five boxes of correspondence and five volumes of letterpress books (two on microfilm only), documenting

¹In addition to his plural wives, John Henry Smith notes in his diary that he was sealed to three other women in the Salt Lake Temple for eternity: Jane Topham on September 3, 1896; Philomela Callister on April 8, 1897; and Emma Louise Robbins Riggs on January 2, 1901. Sealings took place after the death of these women.

his political activities on the regional and national level as well as his interest in the lives of his children. There are also scrapbooks and miscellaneous personal papers, which augment the diaries. Fortunately, these were saved by a granddaughter, Emily Smith Stewart. Unfortunately, only a fraction of this material could be used in this volume; the diaries have been abridged to fit the restraints of a one-volume compilation, and only a small amount of explanatory material from the letters and papers could be used.²

Every editor has certain decisions to make regarding style.

My objective was to change as little as possible but to make the original diary entries clear and readable. Some changes were necessary.

1. *Spelling*. Spelling in the originals has been preserved except for proper names and place names. These have been checked whenever possible with sources available and corrected.

2. *Paragraphing*. Since the diaries do not follow rules of conventional paragraphing, it was frequently necessary to split paragraphs. Parts of paragraphs are omitted without use of ellipses, but ellipses are used to indicate deletions within sentences or within a topic.

3. *Punctuation*. Sentences are ended with periods; commas and colons are inserted where necessary to clarify the text.

4. *Capitalization*. The first word in sentences was capitalized. Generally, I have tried to follow the text, although sometimes it is not clear whether a capital or a lower case letter was intended.

5. *Illegible, missing, and undecipherable passages*. Since I worked largely

²There is little published material on John Henry Smith. Merlo J. Pusey's *Builders of the Kingdom* (Provo, UT: Brigham Young University Press, 1981) chronicles the lives of Apostle George A. Smith (his father), John Henry Smith, and George Albert Smith (his son), who was later president of the LDS church. My account of John Henry's public life, "The Making of the Convention President: The Political Education of John Henry Smith," was published in the *Utah Historical Quarterly* 39 (Fall 1971): 350-69. Brief biographical sketches are found in numerous biographical volumes. Lengthy accounts of his life and tributes to him are found in all the Salt Lake City newspapers following his death on October 13, 1911.

I have assumed that readers have some knowledge of the organization and hierarchy of the LDS church. Since John Henry Smith's life spanned years of rapid change and adaptation in church organization and practices, some recent books would be helpful in providing context and further explanation for events covered in the diaries. Richard S. Van Wagoner's *Mormon Polygamy: A History* (Salt Lake City: Signature Books, 1986) is a well documented account of plural marriage, including the difficulties encountered in the 1890s and early 1900s. In *Mormonism in Transition: A History of the Latter-day Saints, 1890-1930* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1986), Thomas G. Alexander explains many changes in the church and its practices over this crucial period. John Henry's frequent involvement in legal matters affecting the church and the federal government can be better understood by reading Edwin B. Firmage and Richard Collin Mangrum's *Zion in the Courts: A Legal History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1830-1900* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1988).

Since the struggle for statehood forms a large part of the public life of John Henry Smith, an understanding of the behind-the-scenes work of LDS leaders in this struggle is useful. An excellent account is given by Edward Leo Lyman in *Political Deliverance: The Mormon Quest for Utah Statehood* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1986).

from photocopies, some entries were difficult to read, and some impossible to decipher. Passages that were not legible are noted; words that I could not decipher are indicated by a bracketed question mark [?]. Some inadvertently repeated words were silently removed. Occasionally passages crossed out in the original are noted if this seems important.

6. *Annotation.* There is no end to the possibilities for annotation if an editor is determined to explain every unclear entry. I decided to keep annotation to a minimum. However, in some cases the use of letters, newspaper accounts, or comments in the diaries of John Henry's colleagues seemed appropriate to clarify his version of events. To avoid annotation and interruption of the narrative, sometimes brief phrases are entered in brackets in the text.

7. *Dates and places.* At the beginning of each day's entry, the date entered by John Henry is shown, followed by the name of the place where most of the action of the day occurred. The place names are not always the same as those in the diary because he usually noted the place where he started the day—while the events took place elsewhere. County and state names are included only where they seem necessary to identify a location. There is some confusion in the diaries as to just what took place on what days. He occasionally mentions catching up on writing his diaries, indicating that he did not always write on a daily basis. Among his papers are small books with memoranda on meetings, which he later entered into his diaries. This time lag in making diary entries probably accounts for inconsistent dating of entries, which I have tried to correct.

Finally, there is a large element of judgment in what to include when thirty-six volumes must be abridged into one. The conflicts naturally make the most interesting reading, but the times of peace and harmony with family and friends must be included to give a true history of his life. A large part of John Henry's time as an apostle was spent traveling to LDS stake conferences, where he meticulously recorded lists of officers and minutes of meetings. Only a fraction of these could be included; some are included when they show trends in church policy changes or reflect emphasis on particular church doctrines.

An undertaking of several years involves assistance from a great many individuals. I acknowledge with gratitude the patience of Gary J. Bergera and the staff of Signature Books. I appreciate the encouragement and tolerance of my husband, John Stephen White, for a project that sometimes seemed to devour my every free moment. Gregory Thompson and Nancy Young of the special collections department at the University of Utah Marriott Library provided every assistance possible in making the diaries and other materials available to meet my needs. Current staff members in the department also went many extra miles to help. I thank all of them, along with Everett Cooley and Ruth Yeaman, who first encouraged me to use the John Henry Smith papers more than twenty years ago. I also appreciate the assistance of the staff at the LDS church historical department. Permission to use the diaries was granted by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. How-

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ever, the contents of this volume were selected by the editor; the LDS church did not influence, guide, or approve the final selection of material.

My daughter, Barbara White Gingery, read the entire manuscript and offered valuable suggestions. Many others have offered encouragement and assistance in various ways, and I thank them all. The end product is, of course, my own responsibility. I hope it does justice to John Henry Smith.

*A
John Henry
Smith*

C H R O N O L O G Y

1848	September 18	Born at Carburnca (now Council Bluffs), Iowa.
1849	October	Moves to Salt Lake City.
1851	June 12	Mother, Sarah Libbey Smith, dies in Salt Lake City. "Aunt" Hannah Libbey Smith, his mother's sister and also polygamous wife of his father George A. Smith, takes over his care.
1852	July	Moves to Provo with Hannah and "Aunt" Lucy, another polygamous wife of George A. Smith.
1856	September 18	Baptized a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon).
1866	October 20	Marries Sarah Farr, daughter of Lorin Farr, Ogden church and civic leader.
1872		Assistant clerk of territorial legislature and of constitutional convention.
1874	June 26	Set apart for mission to Great Britain by church president John Taylor.
	July 24	Arrives in Liverpool to start mission.

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1875	May-June	Tours Europe with mission president Joseph F. Smith, his cousin.
	August	Returns to Salt Lake City because of his father's illness.
	September 1	Father dies at age fifty-eight.
1875-80		Serves as bishop of Seventeenth Ward in Salt Lake City.
1876-82		Member of Salt Lake City Council.
1877	April 4	Marries Josephine Groesbeck as a plural wife, daughter of prominent businessman Nicholas Groesbeck.
1880	October 27	Ordained an apostle in the Quorum of the Twelve.
1881	August 1	Elected to territorial legislature.
1882	March	Goes to Washington, D.C., to work against passage of the Edmunds Bill by the House of Representatives.
	October 28	Leaves Salt Lake City to preside over the European Mission.
1883	July-August	Tours European Mission, including Denmark, Sweden, Germany, Switzerland, and France.
1884-85	December-January	Tours Switzerland and Italy, visiting mission leaders and dealing with problems in Switzerland.
1885	April 1	Returns to Salt Lake City.
	July 2	Arrested for illegal cohabitation but is discharged.
1888	May 1	Moves Josephine to Manassa, Colorado.
1890	October 1	Votes to endorse church president Wilford Woodruff's manifesto banning plural marriages.
1891	May 20	Helps organize the Republican Party of Utah, followed by clubs in other cities.

	September	Sent to Arizona to perform marriages and to meet with Arizona Republican leaders.	
1892	February 5	Goes to Washington, D.C., to try to defeat the Democratic Party-sponsored "Home Rule" bill and promote statehood.	
1894	February-March	Visits Mexico on church business and to oversee affairs of the Mexican Colonization and Agricultural Company.	
	October 2	Nominated a Republican delegate to the constitutional convention.	
	November 7	Elected a delegate to the constitutional convention of 1895.	
1895	March 6	After fighting challenges to election, takes seat in convention and is elected president. Presides until its conclusion in May.	
1900	January	Goes to Washington, D.C., to oppose an anti-polygamy amendment to the U.S. Constitution.	
1901	May-June	Travels to Mexico and meets with Mexican President Porfirio Diaz regarding the Mormon colonies in Mexico.	
	July 4	Elected president of Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress.	
1902	March	Goes to Washington, D.C., with Ben E. Rich to use influence against anti-polygamy amendment to Constitution.	
	September	Visits Nauvoo, Illinois, and other early church sites.	
1904	December 17, 19,20	Testifies before U.S. Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections regarding the seating of Utah senator-elect Read Smoot.	
1905	February-March	Visits Utah Mexican Rubber Company lands in Mexico.	
	December	With other members of Smith family visits	xvii

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- church sites and old family homes in Vermont, New York, Massachusetts, and Ohio.
- 1906 February-March Goes to Washington, D.C., to work for Reed Smoot's seating in Senate.
- September 21 Hannah Maria Libbey Smith, the "aunt" who reared him, dies in Provo at age seventy-eight.
- 1910 April 7 Set apart as second counselor to church president Joseph F. Smith.
- 1911 June Goes East with other members of the Utah Capitol Commission to visit a number of state government buildings to get ideas for the new Utah capitol building.
- October 13 Dies at home of Josephine in Salt Lake City at the age of sixty-three.

Prominent

CHARACTERS

BARTCH, G. M.

Probate judge of Salt Lake County; associate justice of territorial supreme court; elected to Utah State Supreme Court and served as chief justice until 1906.

BENNETT, CHARLES W.

Lawyer; Republican politician who came to Salt Lake City in 1871.

BROWN, ARTHUR

Republican; non-Mormon United States senator from Utah, 1896-97.

CAINE, JOHN T.

Democrat; Utah's fourth delegate to Congress, 1883-93.

CANNON, ABRAHAM H.

Son of George Q. Cannon; one of seven presidents of seventy, 1882-89; LDS apostle, 1889-96; implicated in post-1890 Manifesto polygamy.

CANNON, ANGUS M.

Brother of George Q. Cannon; businessman; president of Salt Lake Stake, 1876-1904.

CANNON, FRANK J.

Son of George Q. Cannon; Republican delegate to Congress, 1895; United States senator, 1896-99; Democratic state chair, 1902-1904; established *Ogden Standard* in 1888 and *Utah State Journal* in 1903; moved to Colorado in 1909.

CANNON, GEORGE Q.

LDS apostle, 1860-77; first counselor to John Taylor, 1880-87; first counselor to Wilford Woodruff, 1889-98; first counselor to Lorenzo Snow, 1898-1901; delegate to Congress from Utah territory, 1873-81; served often as liaison between church leaders and prominent national leaders in politics and business.

CARRINGTON, ALBERT

LDS apostle, 1870; counselor to Brigham Young, 1873-77; excommunicated for immorality, 1885; rebaptized, 1887; died, 1889.

CLAWSON, RUDGER

Prominent prisoner for polygamy; LDS apostle, 1898-1943; second counselor to Lorenzo Snow, 1901.

COWLEY, MATTHIAS F.

LDS apostle, 1897; resigned from Quorum of Twelve Apostles because of his practice of polygamy, 1905; priesthood suspended, 1911; restored to full membership, 1936; died, 1940.

CROSBY, JESSE W.

Southern Utah colonizer and cattleman; president of Panguitch Stake, 1882-1900; called in 1900 to help settle Big Horn country in Wyoming.

CUTLER, JOHN C.

Business leader and banker; governor of Utah, 1905-1908.

CUTLER, THOMAS R.

Businessman, organizer of sugar companies.

DUBOIS, FRED T.

United States senator from Idaho, 1891-97, 1901-1907.

ECCLES, DAVID

Utah industrialist, banker, and railroad builder.

FARR, LORIN

Ogden settler, 1850; first mayor of Ogden and prominent railroad builder; father of Sarah Farr Smith, wife of John Henry Smith.

GIBBS, GEORGE

Church reporter and secretary to the First Presidency of the LDS church, beginning in 1876.

GOODWIN, C. C.

Editor of the *Salt Lake Tribune*, 1880-1901; noted for harsh editorial criticism of LDS church and its leaders.

GRANT, HEBER J.

Prominent Utah businessman and entrepreneur; LDS apostle, 1882; president of LDS church, 1918-45.

GROESBECK, NICHOLAS

Business entrepreneur; father of Josephine Groesbeck Smith, wife of John Henry Smith.

HANNA, M. A. (Mark)

Leading Republican and chair of Republican national committee, 1896; United States senator from Ohio, 1897-1904.

HARDY, LEONARD G.

LDS bishop; collector for Salt Lake County.

IVINS, ANTHONY W.

Early settler of St. George; moved to Mexico with family in 1895 to become president of Juarez Stake; LDS apostle, 1907; second counselor to Heber J. Grant, 1921-25; first counselor to Heber J. Grant, 1925-34.

JACK, JAMES

Chief clerk and treasurer to the First Presidency.

KEARNS, THOMAS

Mine developer and owner; owner of the *Salt Lake Tribune* since 1901; United States senator from, Utah 1901-1905.

LANNAN, PATRICK H.

Owner of *Salt Lake Tribune*, 1883-1901, during period of strong anti-Mormon editorial campaign.

LAYTON, CHRISTOPHER

Davis County colonizer; called as president of St. Joseph Stake (Arizona), 1883-98.

LUND, ANTHON H.

LDS apostle, 1889; second counselor to Joseph F. Smith, 1901-10; first counselor to Joseph F. Smith, 1910-18; first counselor to Heber J. Grant, 1918-21.

LYMAN, FRANCIS M.

LDS apostle, 1880-1916.

McCORNICK, W. S.

Banker, mining magnate, and railroad builder; member of Salt Lake City Council.

McKAY, DAVID O.

LDS apostle, 1906; second counselor to Heber J. Grant, 1934-45; second counselor to George Albert Smith, 1945-51; president of church, 1951-70.

MERRILL, MARRINER W.

Prominent Cache Valley businessman; LDS apostle, 1889-1906.

MORGAN, JOHN H.

Member, First Council of Seventy, 1884-94; president of Southern States Mission; married Helen Malvina Groesbeck, sister of Josephine Groesbeck Smith.

NIBLEY, CHARLES W.

Prominent businessman; presiding bishop of LDS church, 1907-25; LDS apostle and second counselor to Heber J. Grant, 1925-31.

NUTTALL, L. JOHN

Private secretary to LDS president John Taylor and his successors until 1892.

PENROSE, CHARLES W.

Editor of *Deseret News*; LDS apostle, 1904; second counselor to Joseph F. Smith, 1911-18; second counselor to Heber J. Grant, 1918-21; first counselor to Heber J. Grant, 1921-25.

PETERSON, CANUTE

President of Sanpete and South Sanpete stakes; Scandinavian Mission president.

PRESTON, WILLIAM B.

Presiding bishop of LDS church, 1884-1907.

RAWLINS, JOSEPH L.

Utah territorial delegate to Congress, 1893-95; elected to United States Senate, 1897-1903.

REYNOLDS, GEORGE

Secretary to Brigham Young; defendant in test case in which United States Supreme Court upheld anti-polygamy laws; one of seven presidents of Seventy, 1890-1909.

RICH, BEN E.

Son of LDS apostle Charles C. Rich; president of Southern States Mission and Eastern States Mission; married Diana Farr, sister of Sarah Farr Smith.

RICH, CHARLES C.

LDS apostle, 1849-83; prominent in settlement of southern Idaho.

RICHARDS, FRANKLIN D.

LDS apostle, 1849-99; probate and county judge for Weber County; LDS church historian and general recorder, 1889.

RICHARDS, FRANKLIN S.

Son of Franklin D. Richards; member of three Utah constitutional conventions; general counsel for the LDS church for thirty years.

RICHARDS, GEORGE F.

LDS apostle, 1906-50; acting patriarch to the church, 1937-43; president of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, 1945-50.

ROBERTS, BRIGHAM H.

Noted journalist, theologian, orator, and historian; member, First Council of Seventy, 1888-1933; elected as Democrat to United States Congress in 1898 but not seated because of his practice of polygamy.

SHURTLEFF, LEWIS W.

President of Weber Stake; probate judge and county commissioner in Weber County.

SMITH, HYRUM MACK

Son of Joseph F. Smith; LDS apostle, 1901-18.

SMITH, JESSE N.

Early settler in Parowan, Utah; moved to Snowflake, Arizona; helped obtain land for settlement in Mexico; served in both Utah and Arizona legislatures.

SMITH, JOHN

Son of Hyrum Smith; LDS church patriarch, 1855-1911.

SMITH, JOSEPH F.

Son of Hyrum Smith; LDS apostle and counselor to First Presidency, 1866-77; second counselor to John Taylor, 1880-87; second counselor to Wilford Woodruff, 1889-98; second counselor to Lorenzo Snow, 1898-1901; first counselor to Lorenzo Snow, 1901; president of LDS church, 1901-18; implicated in post-1890 Manifesto polygamy; issued 1904 "Second Manifesto" on polygamy.

SMITH, JOSEPH FIELDING

Son of Joseph F. Smith; LDS apostle, 1910-51; counselor in the First Presidency, 1965-70; president of church, 1907-72.

SMITH, SILAS SANFORD

Settled Paragonah, Utah; member of Utah territorial legislature; later moved to Manassa, Colorado; president of San Luis (Colorado) Stake, 1883-92; moved to Layton, Utah, in 1901

SMOOT, ABRAHAM O.

Mayor of Salt Lake City for ten years; mayor of Provo for fourteen years; president of Utah Stake (Provo); businessman.

SMOOT, REED

Son of Abraham O. Smoot; prominent businessman and politician; LDS apostle, 1900-41; object of lengthy United States Senate inquiry regarding qualifications to serve as Utah's United States senator; served 1903-33; co-author of Smoot-Hawley Tariff Act.

SNOW, ERASTUS

LDS apostle, 1849-88.

SNOW, LORENZO

LDS apostle, 1849; counselor to Brigham Young, 1873-77; president of LDS church, 1898-1901.

TALMAGE, JAMES E.

Noted Utah scientist, geologist, theologian, and writer; LDS apostle, 1911-33.

TAYLOR, JOHN

LDS apostle, 1838-77; president of LDS church, 1880-87; ardent defender of polygamy; died in hiding during the United States government's crusade against polygamists in 1887.

TAYLOR, JOHN W.

Son of John Taylor; LDS apostle, 1884; resigned from Quorum of Twelve Apostles because of his practice of polygamy, 1905; excommunicated, 1911; died, 1918.

TEASDALE, GEORGE

LDS apostle, 1882-1907.

TELLER, HENRY M.

United States Senator from Colorado, first as Republican and Silver Republican in 1870s and 1880s, later as Democrat 1903-1909.

TRUMBO, ISAAC (Col.)

Wealthy and influential California mining entrepreneur; assisted LDS leaders in statehood fight, 1887-94; moved to Salt Lake City after statehood and back to California after failing to become a United States senator from Utah.

UDALL, DAVID K.

Called to settle Arizona in 1889; president of St. Johns (Arizona) stake.

VAN COTT, WALDEMAR

Democrat and lawyer; served as counsel to the LDS church in the Reed Smoot hearings.

VARIAN, CHARLES S.

United States attorney for Utah prosecuting polygamists in 1884-86, 1889-93; member of 1895 Constitutional Convention and elected to legislature; prominent Republican until split over silver issue in 1896.

WARREN, FRANCIS E.

Governor of Wyoming; later United States senator, 1890-93 and 1895-1929.

WELLS, DANIEL H.

Apostle and second counselor to President Brigham Young until Young's death in 1877; counselor to Quorum of Twelve Apostles; mayor of Salt Lake City.

WELLS, HEBER M.

Banker and first governor of Utah, 1896-1903.

WHITNEY, ORSON F.

Noted Utah historian, writer, and poet; LDS apostle, 1906-31.

WINDER, JOHN R.

First counselor to Joseph F. Smith, 1901-10.

WOODRUFF, ABRAHAM O.

Son of Wilford Woodruff; LDS apostle, 1897-1904.

WOODRUFF, WILFORD

LDS apostle, 1839-89; president of LDS church, 1889-98; issued 1890 Manifesto banning plural marriages.

YOUNG, BRIGHAM

Leader of Mormon trek west and colonization of Utah territory; LDS apostle, 1835-47; president of the church, 1847-77.

YOUNG, BRIGHAM, Jr.

LDS apostle, 1868-1903; counselor to Brigham Young, 1873; assistant counselor, 1874.

YOUNG, JOHN W.

Son of and assistant counselor to Brigham Young; counselor to the Quorum of Twelve Apostles; involved in promotion of railroads and other business enterprises.

PROMINENT CHARACTERS

YOUNG, LeGRAND

Son of Joseph Young; lawyer and counsel for the LDS church.

ZANE, CHARLES S.

Chief justice of Utah Territorial Supreme Court; elected to Utah supreme court after statehood, serving until 1899; prominent Republican.

*The
John Henry
Smith*

FAMILY

A.

THE WIVES AND CHILDREN OF GEORGE A. SMITH (1817-75), FATHER OF JOHN HENRY SMITH

Bathsheba Wilson Bigler (1822-1910)
George Albert (1842-60)
Bathsheba Kate [Merrill] (1844-1920)
John (1847)

Lucy Messerve Smith (1817-92)
Two sons died in infancy.

Nancy Clement (1815-47)
One child died in infancy.

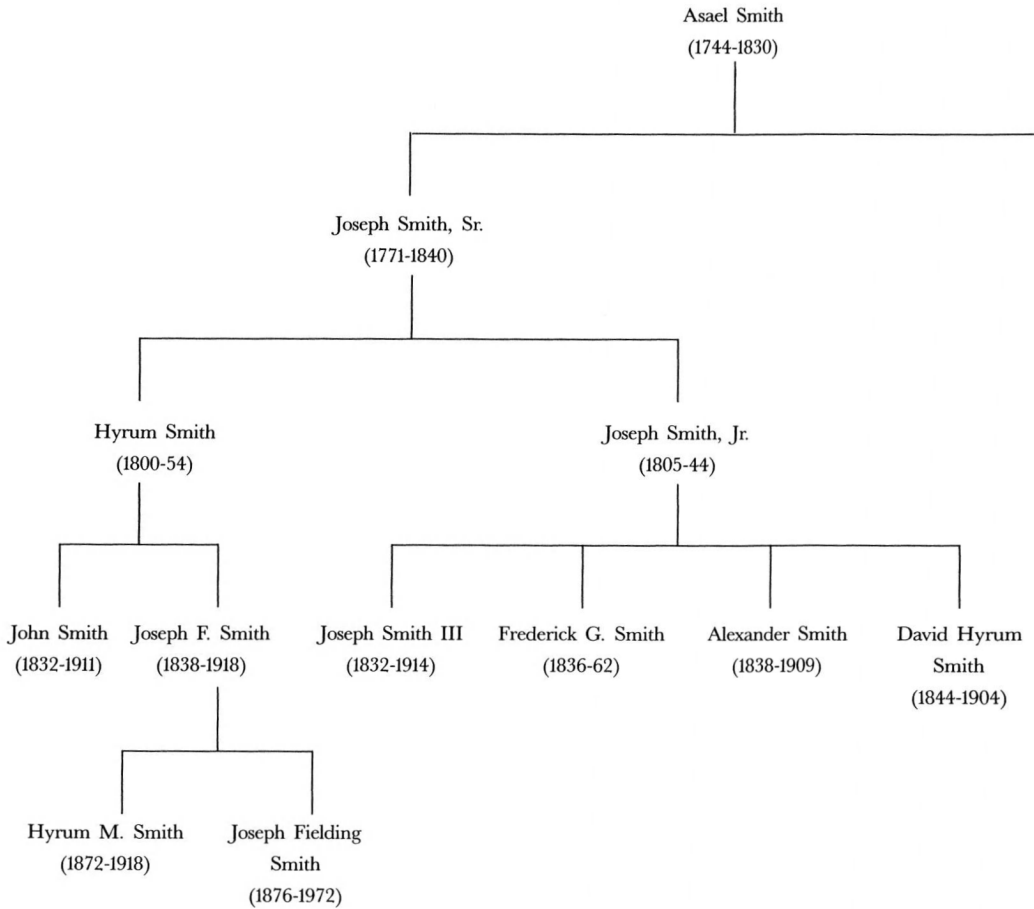
Zilpha Stark (1818-78)
Two died in infancy.
Mary Amelia [Wimmer] (1852-1915)

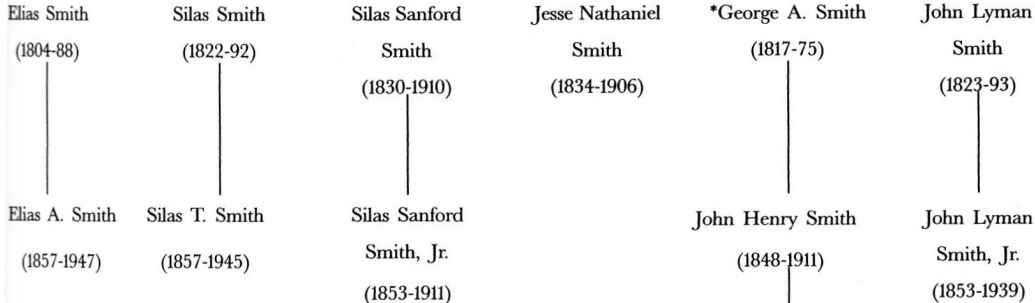
Sarah Ann Libbey (1818-51)
John Henry (1848-1911)

Hannah Maria Libbey (1828-1906)
Two died in infancy.
Charles Warren (1849-1903)
Sarah Maria [Colton] (1856-1912)
Grace Libbey [Cheever] (1865-1939)
Reared John Henry after his mother's death.

Susan Elizabeth West (1833-1935)
Clarissa [Williams] (1859-1930)
Margaret [Parry] (1862-1913)
Elizabeth [Cartwright] (1866-1921)
Priscilla [Taylor] (1869-1907)
Emma Pearl (1871-1905)

B.
SIGNIFICANT SMITH FAMILY MEMBERS





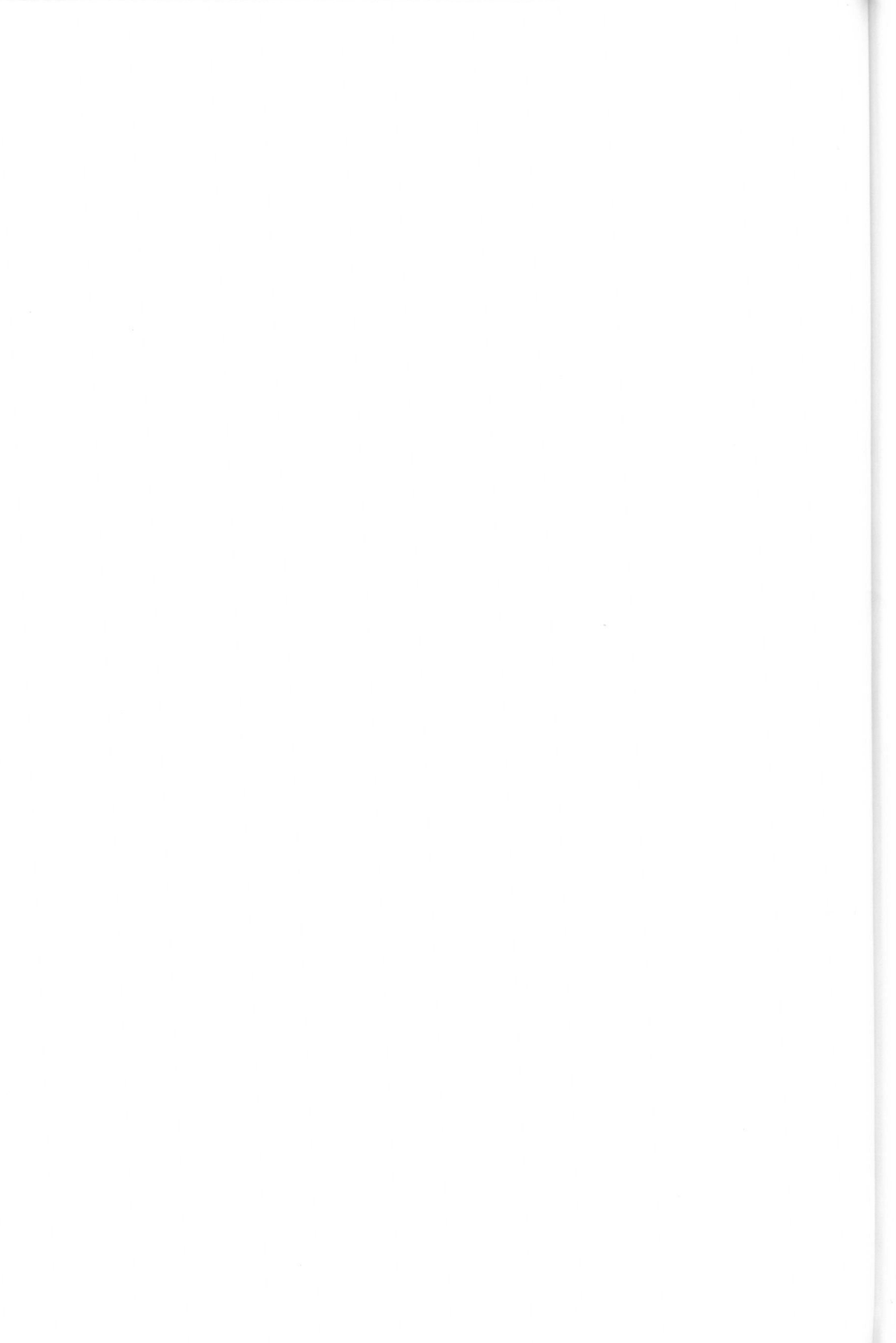
Spelling of Asael Smith varies throughout family records, sometimes listed as "Asahel" and sometimes as "Asael." The name Libbey is sometimes spelled Libby. It is spelled Libbey in this study, based on the most recent spelling used by John Henry Smith.

C.
THE CHILDREN OF JOHN HENRY SMITH

Sarah Farr (1849-1921)
John Henry (1868)
George Albert (1870-1951)
Lorin Farr (1872)
Don Carlos (1874-1927)
Ezra Chase (1876-1951)
Charles Warren (1879)
Winslow Farr (1881-1966)
Nathaniel Libbey (1883-1935)
Nancy Clarabell (1886-1961)
Tirzah Priscilla [Langton] (1888-1961)
Elsie Louise (1891-1956)

Josephine Groesbeck (1857-1948)
Sarah Ann [Pond] (1878-1938)
Nicholas G. (1881-1945)
Joseph Harmon (1885-1942)
Lucy (1887-1900)
Elizabeth [Rex] (1890-1973)
Glenn G. (1893-1970)
Arzella (1895-1969)
Josephine (1898-1973)

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Missionary Years*

1874 - 1885

Thursday, June 25, 1874 - Salt Lake City

I was busy during most of the day getting ready for my mission. The following is my Fathers blessing on my head.

John Henry my son, in the name of Jesus Christ and in the authority of the holy priesthood and apostleship and in the office and calling of a Patriarch and father in Israel in accordance with the blessing[s] which were bestowed upon my head through the lineage of my fathers, I lay my hands upon your head and I bless you with a fathers blessing, that the power of the holy priesthood may rest upon you, which is descended unto you through your ancestors for many generations, that you may live to enjoy the blessings, powers and privileges of the same, that you may go forth as a messenger of salvation and as you are about to leave your family and friends to go abroad and preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and magnify the office and calling of a seventy, we bless you with this blessing, that you may have wisdom, knowledge and understanding and apt[itude] to teach, that you may lift up your voice and proclaim the everlasting gospel, that you may understand the law of the lord, and the blessings which pertain to the work of the last days; that you may be apt to teach, quick to understand, have wisdom to learn from the things which others suffer, and not be compelled to suffer yourself to learn wisdom as many have to do; and that your mind may be stored with wisdom, knowledge and intelligence, that your heart may be filled with integrity, and that the power of the Holy Ghost may be upon you, that you may have faith to know for yourself, and understand for yourself; the Holy Ghost may rest upon and quicken your system, enlighten your mind, enlarge your capacity, that you may understand the law of the Lord: that you may go forth and perform this mission, travel from land to land, and from sea to sea that blessings of the almighty may be over you, that in this mission that you may be a

blessing to many, and have it in your power to return in due season to your family, and rejoice in the principals of the everlasting gospel in the midst of the Saints to a good old age, that the blessings and powers of the holy priesthood may be upon you and your posterity forever; that you may rejoice in the truth; that you may have power to take part in the gathering of the Saints, and establishing them in the land of Zion; and in the building of the temples to the name of the most High God; that you may have wisdom to defend Zion, to lift up your voice in the defense of Zion, to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, and to bear testimony of the truth and if need be to wield the sword of Laban in the defense of the children of Israel; that you may have power to stand in the midst of [~~Israel, crossed out~~] Zion to a good old age, and until you have accomplished all that you desire in earth in the building of the kingdom of God, we bless you with this blessing upon your head, and upon the head of your wife and children and all that the lord has given unto you, that you may be blessed therein, and that your posterity may be exceeding numerous, that your name may be had in everlasting remembrance; that the powers of the holy priesthood may be over you for good, and that you may rejoice in the light of truth forever, that all the blessings which pertain to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and the Patriarchs may be upon you, that you may know and understand for yourself, hearing the voice of the holy angles and the whisperings of the Holy Spirit, and the majesty, and the power of the Almighty making known unto you those things that you must do, that under all circumstances you may have wisdom, knowledge and intelligence, that the Lord may deliver you from the power of the destroyer and from the hands of wicked men; that you may have wisdom to overcome every temptation, shun the wiles of the devil, be humble, seek the Lord with all your heart, and the power of the Almighty will rest upon you. All these blessings, with all the blessings to exaltation and to the holy priesthood in all its fulness will rest upon you in due time. These blessing[s] and privileges my son, I seal upon you in the name of the Father and the son and the Holy Ghost, and in the office and calling of a patriarch and father, which I have received from my father by lineage and also by right. That all these blessings may be upon you and that you may be authorized in all things to bless your children, and prophesy concerning them things that shall be fulfilled to the latest generation. All these blessings, powers and privileges we therefore confirm upon you in the name of Jesus of Nazareth. Amen.

In the evening Father and I went to the Theatre and saw Charles the Twelveth of Sweden played.

Friday, June 26, 1874 - Salt Lake City

Today Father is 57 years old and his wife Susan gave a birthday dinner in honor of the event. There was about forty persons present, Judge Elias Smith among the number. My wife and children were with me.

Elders D. Mackenzie, L. J[ohn]. Nuttall and myself were set apart for our missions under the hands of Prest. B. Young, Elders O. Pratt & John

Taylor, David Evans reporting. Prest. B. Young was mouth with D. Mackenzie and Elder Orson Pratt with bro. L. J. Nuttall, and Elder John Taylor gave me the following.

Brother John Henry Smith in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by virtue of the Holy priesthood, we lay our hands upon thy head and we set thee apart to the mission whereunto thou has been appointed, and we ask God the eternal Father to cause that his Holy Spirit may rest down upon thee and flow into thee from this time forth in mighty power, that thou mayest possess the spirit of wisdom and intelligence, that thou mayest be filled with the revelations of the mind and will of God in regard to all of thy movements, that thine understanding may be enlightened, and thy judgement enlarged, and that thou mayest go forth in the name of the Lord, and accomplish a good work in the land whereunto thou goest; that thou mayest be filled with the Holy Ghost and the power of God, that the spirit of revelation may flow into thee day by day, and from thee to others; that thou mayest be full of Counsel and wisdom and intelligence and which the Lord God shall impart unto thee in thy mission and that thou mayest be great in Counsel and intelligence and that thou mayest be preserved on thy Journeying both by land and sea in whatever climate thou mayest be or whatever land thou mayest visit, and by whatever conveyance thou mayest travel thou mayest be preserved from danger and from harm, and feel that the hand of God is over thee and his Angels attend thee, that the spirit of the living God is with thee, that thou mayest accomplish a good work and return again to the bosom of thy family in peace, and we seal upon thy head thy Father's blessings and all the blessings that have heretofore been conferred upon thee; and we say unto thee go in peace and let the blessings of the most High God rest upon thee and fulfill thy mission and return again in peace to the bosom of thy family, that thou mayest rejoice among the Saints of the Most High God, and we seal upon thy head these blessings by virtue of the Holy Priesthood in the name of Jesus, Amen.

I took a good bath and changed my underclothing for the last time at home before leaving for my mission. It was 10 p.m. when I retired to rest.

Saturday, June 27, 1874 - Salt Lake City

My wife and I got up at 4 a.m. and got ourselves and children ready for our ride to Ogden. We ate some breakfast at Aunt Lucys. I bid a number of my relatives and friends good bye and rode to the depot 6 a.m. I left Salt Lake City for Ogden and my mission in company with the following named persons who are going to Brigham City to hold a two day meeting, Prests. Brigham Young and three wives, Geo. A. Smith and wife, D[aniel]. H. Wells, Elders Orson Pratt sen., John Taylor, W[ilford]. Woodruff, Erastus Snow and wife and son E. W. Snow, H. S. Eldridge, W. H. Fulsom, David Evans, and at Sessions Settlement we was Joined by Wm. Muir. We all rode in Prest. Youngs car. My wife and children were with me. At Ogden I left the train and was met by Newton Farr who took us in a carriage to my

father-in-laws. I spent the day in visiting with our friends. John F. Gay gave me a five dollar gold piece and E. Farr five in green backs.

It was late when I retired to rest.

Sunday, June 28, 1874 - Ogden

I spend the entire day visiting my friends. It was today J. F. Gay and E. Farr gave me the money instead of yesterday. In the evening I met the Prest. party returning to the City and bid them good bye. Father went to Prest. Farris and stayed over night.

Monday, June 29, 1874 - Ogden

I got up and had breakfast and bid my friends good bye and kissed my wife and children and placed them in the hands of the Lord and left them, mine and my wives Father going with me to the station where we met Elders D. McKenzie, L. J. Nuttall and P. Sinclair. I bid my Fathers and many friends good bye and at 9:30 we were steaming away in a fine Pulman Palace Car. Gov. Woods of Utah went out to Evanston to lecture. We had much conversation with strangers and passed the day very pleasantly. Some of the scenery was grand, and we saw some desert. Bro. L. J. Nuttall and I slept together.

**Tuesday, June 30, 1874 - Union Pacific Railroad,
Wyoming Territory**

I rested just as well as if at home. We breakfasted out of our grub basket we had brought with us. About 12 miles from Cheyenne we met Bro. G[eorge]. Q. Cannon returning home from Washington. He was in good health and spirits. We had some splendid chats with strangers. We passed through some fine country and saw many deer and Elk.

Wednesday, July 1, 1874 - U.P.R.R., Wyoming Territory

During the night I got up and took a look at the North Platte Bridge 1 mile long. The Country along the Platte is lovely and many farms are being made. The country is level and covered with grass. About 10 a.m. we ran into Omaha. It is a fine city. We changed cars and was soon on the move for the Council Bluff side accross the celebrated Bridge. Now I am in the neighborhood of where I was born. We made our arrangements for tickets with the Chicago and Northwestern Rail Road for Chicago. Again we are in a palace car, and moving through some of the finest country I ever saw. It is Iowa. We saw nice villages and splendid farms. Harvest is now on hand but crop[s] do not look as well as in Utah.

Friday, July 3, 1874 - T. Fort & Wayne R.R.

The Country is well watered and covered with grass and Timber, the crops as a rule looked very bad.

We breakfasted at Alliance and had a very good meal. About 4 or 5 p.m. we reached Pittsburgh. It is a black dirty looking City. We spent an

hour in looking about the City and then got into our old Car that had been attached to a Pennsylvania Central train and we begin to climb the Alleghany Mts. I sat up untill late into the night to see the Curve in the Mountain that was like a horse shoe. Ohio was hill and dale.

Saturday, July 4, 1874 - Philadelphia

Our nations birthday, and what changes. I got up at five a.m. and was looking at the Country before we reached the City. The Crops look better to me than they did down the road. On our arrival in the City at 6:30 a.m. we got some breakfast at a restaurant, and at 7:15 a.m. we was soon on the move again through some fine Country, and at 10 a.m. reach Jersey City. We cross the River to New York and go to bro. W. C. Stains office and found him looking for us. He took us to the Astor House [hotel]. Bro. Nuttall and I had room 215. We visited Central Park. It is a magnificent place, and we had a very fine time. In fact I was very tired.

My expenses to this place is \$83.45. In the evening we went to Neblos Theatre. The Play was Ivanhoe. The scenery was grand but the acting was misserable. 11:30 p.m. we return to rest.

Sunday, July 5, 1874 - New York City

We took our meals in eating house. The a.m. was spent in looking about town. P.M. we went to Williamsburg and attended meeting with the saints, bro. Bywater presided. All of our party spoke as also bro. Staines, J. Richards and Spencer Clawson. A splendid feeling prevailed. It was stormy.

Monday, July 6, 1874 - New York City

Today some 750 saints with some returning Elders arrived in this harbor. Elders John Clark & G. F. Gibbs are returning home. Bro. Nuttall and I went to Staten Island, distance 7 miles. It cost 20 cents to go and return.

In the evening bros. Sinclair, Nuttall, and myself witnessed a grand exhibition of fire works at Union Squair. There must have been thirty thousand people present.

Tuesday, July 7, 1874 - New York City

We took a ride around the Central Park to day, bro. D. Mack. having returned from Shrewsbury. The saints that arrived yesterday left here to day for the vallies. In the evening we all went to Barnums Hipodrome and had a splendid evening. It was again Quite midnight before we got to our hotel.

Wednesday, July 8, 1874 - New York City

At five p.m. I went on board of the steamer City of New York and booked by steamer to New London and from there by rail to Whitefield. The scenery along the sound is lovely. At 10 p.m. I went to bed.

Thursday, July 9, 1874 - New London

At 4 a.m. I left the steamer and took train. The Country is hill and dale with many fine towns. The land is covered with trees and grass.

At 4 p.m. I reached Whitefield and went in a hack [carriage] to my Uncle Charles Libbey. Him and wife received me kindly and seemed very pleased to see me. They have three sons and 1 daughter. I had supper and we went to Uncle George Libbeys store, where I saw Webster, Henry, Jeremiah and George and all were glad to see me. I stoped overnight at Uncle Charles.

Friday, July 10, 1874 - Whitefield, N.H.

I have seen all the brothers that are at Whitefield. There are six of them here. Charles, wife and four children, all men and women. Henry, wife and 2 children, Jeremiah Cole, wife and three children. John & wife, & he has no children. George, wife and 2 children. Webster, wife and 3 children.

New Hampshire women have quit having babies or only two or three because it aint fashionable.

My uncles are all wealthy men except one and he is well to do. They own a great deal of timber land and run Saw Mills and keep small stores. I visited them all at there homes, and had a good time. They are fine men and women of the world. I stoped over night at Uncle Websters.

Saturday, July 11, 1874 - Whitefield, N.H.

I breakfasted at Uncle Websters and took dinner at Uncle Henrys. He was away from home, but his wife treated me kindley. Uncles John, George, and Webster went to the station with me. I bore my testimony to them and I told them I was Irredeemably a Mormon.

2 p.m. the train moved of[f] and at Manchester I was joined by Uncle Charles Libbey and we went to Boston together. We arrived at 8:30 p.m. at Boston and put up at the Sherman House.

Sunday, July 12, 1874 - Boston

We took breakfast at a Restaurant and sallied out to see Boston the hub of the universe. The streets are crooked and narrow but some of the buildings are very fine. The day was spent in running about. I saw two old [battering] rams that was used during the war.

At 6:30 p.m. I bid Uncle Charles Good bye at the old Colony R.R. station to New Port and by steamer Bristol for New York. The steamer was fitted up elegantly and there was hundreds of passengers on board. About 11 p.m. I retired to rest.

Monday, July 13, 1874 - Steamer *Bristol*, Long Island Sound

I got up very earley and was looking at the scenery skirting the sound. At 9 a.m. we reached New York. Distance 250 miles. A confidence man tried to play me a trick, but I gave him the sack.

July 24, 1874 - Liverpool, England

At 1 p.m. [cousin and European mission president] J[oseph]. F. Smith, Ernest Young and J. E. Graham met us on board the steamer.

How pleased we were to meet our friends.

Saturday, August 1, 1874 - Liverpool and Sheffield

I left Liverpool with J. F. Smith for Sheffield at 3:30 p.m. Arrived at Sheffield at 6:30 p.m. We met E. N. Freeman & Br. Haybourne at the Station and went to the Conference House, 65 Dorsett Street, Sheffield, England. I gave Elizabeth the money I had brought for her.

Sunday, Aug. 9, 1874

Bro. Morris and myself [went to] Hockley Station & went to Old Hill nine miles and then walked to Hillsowen two miles and took dinner with Bro. Cutler. Then we went about one mile farther to Bro. Oxfords and held meeting. We partook of the sacrament and then some of the brethren and sisters bore testimony, after which Bro. Morris and myself talked to the saints on being faithful living up to the requirements of their religion. After meeting we returned to Bro. Cutlers and held a meeting in the street. Bro. Morris talked on the first principals. I followed on the same subject. This going on to a street corner to preach went against the grain and it was indeed the hardest struggle of my life to do it. Our meeting was short on account of its raining but we had a very good attendance and the people were very attentive. Two men came with the intention of interrupting us but never said a word. We left Halesowen at 4:45 p.m. and were again at Hockley about 11 p.m. We think on the whole we had a very fine day.

Wednesday, Aug. 12, 1874

At 9:42 a.m. we left Walsall for Wolverhampton where we arrived at 10:30 a.m. We met up with Mr. Walsh who is a town Councillor and has formerly belonged to our church.

Mr. Walsh took Morris and myself to the races where we spent the p.m. At 6:58 p.m. We left for home. Was going to Dudley but it was raining and we thought it unwise to stop. On our arrival at home I found a card from J.F.S. [Joseph F. Smith]. Evening we read some in Scriptures and at 10 p.m. we went to bed.

Thursday, Aug. 13, 1874

I copied my blessing and have been reading the Gospel according to St. Luke the ballance of the time. No letters for me from home yet. It almost gives me the blues.

Friday, Aug. 14, 1874

We visited the Editors of the Gazette who agreed to Publish J. F. Smiths letter in relation to Taylors [anti-Mormon] charges.

We Started from Swan Hill Station and went [to] Swan Village and went to Greets Green to See bro. George E. Woods. We found him and he took us to see the House where bro. Young & Kimball preached first in this place. Also where my Father preached, also where bro. Wood was raised and where he was with Bro. John Needham ordained Elders in 1840.

Monday, Aug. 17, 1874

We took dinner at Bro. Cardwells and sat at the dirtiest table & meal I ever eat in my life.

Tuesday, Aug. 18, 1874

Bro. Morris and myself took dinner and tea with sister Pendery. Dinner was well cooked and clean, best meal on the road. In the evening we went to Counsel meeting at Hockley chapel and had a very good time.

Sunday, Aug. 30, 1874

Spent the a.m. reading the Deseret News. At 12 m. we went to Bro. G[eorge] Smiths and took dinner and went to Hockley Chapel at 2:30 p.m. Bro. Morris myself and Several other brethren spoke on first principals.

We went to tea with sister Hadley and again to Chapel at 6:30. Bro. Rhodan Morris and Myself took up the time.

Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1874

I spent the day at the Conference House reading.

A socialist called upon me and I had an hours chat with him. He was a dirty looking rogue.

Monday, Sept. 7, 1874 - Birmingham

We spent the p.m. at Bro. Benchs where there was a weding took Place. The Parties were Mr. E. Bench and a young lady from Leominster. We had a good time and nice dinner and got home sober at 10 p.m. notwithstanding they had an abundance of beer and wine.

Friday, Sept. 11, 1874

We are at Bro. Johnsons. We slept in the best bed I have been in in England. It was so clean and nice. We took breakfast and dinner at Bro. Johnsons and then we went to the races. After the races were over we called on Bro. Hughes and took tea and returned to Bro. Johnsons at 8 p.m. and had Supper.

Tuesday, Sept. 15, 1874 - Ridgeway Cross

We had a bad nights rest. The fleas bit like wrath.

Friday, Sept. 18, 1874

I am 26 years old to day. We spent the forenoon in reading and at

12 m. went to sister Starmens to dinner and after dinner we went to Bro. Hardings and took tea.

Monday, Oct. 5, 1874 - Nottingham

We took breakfast at the Conference House and about 10 a.m. Bros. J. F. Smith, F[rancis]. M. Lyman, J. Squairs, R. V. Morris & Myself took a walk through Town. First to the cemeteray in which the caves are located which are famous as having been the place where Robin Hood and his band used to conceal themselves after they had robbed some traveler and these caves were then supposed to be in the center of Sherwood forrest but the woods have disapeared and one of the handsomest towns in England covers the ground in the neighborhood once so terrible to the rich people or those who oppressed the poor people in those early days.

We then went to the Nottingham General Cemetery to the grave of Bro. Cherry.

We then took a look at the castle. It stand on a Cliff of rocks. Everything is grand in this part of town. We took dinner at Bro. Burts.

Monday, Oct. 12, 1874 - Loxley

I had another goodnights rest. Bro. Hyrum Seal slept with me. I took breakfast with bro [crossed out] Mr. John Seal. He was formerly in the Church but could not see the law of Tithing so he was cut off.

Monday, Oct. 19, 1874 - Birmingham

Bro. Morris has gone to Stafford to see Sister Clark who is again very sick. I spent the day at bro. Spokes taking dinner and tea there. In the evening bro. Spokes and I went to the Theatre Royal to see Barney Sullivan play Macbeth. He did it splendidly and indeed all hands played well. The Theatre itself is considered very fine. The Choir met for practice at C.H. [Conference House]. Some one put a nice Lucious pear in my slipper.

Thursday, Nov. 5, 1874 - Cardiff, Wales

We had a splendid nights rest and we took breakfast at Bro. Bassetts. It was the only genuine milk and butter that I have eat since I came to England. Sister Bassett gave me 6 pence.

At 8 a.m. we left Bro. Bassetts and walked to the station and at 9:25 a.m. we left for Birmingham. The country from Cardiff to Newport was flat and covered with grass. There is lovely scenery between Newport and Gloucester. We crossed a magnificent Iron Bridge over the Wye. We had one hour at Gloucester and so we visited the Cathedral and at 12:55 p.m. started again for Birmingham, passing through Cheltenham & Worcester and arriving at Birmingham at 4 p.m. We went to the Conference House and there met Bros. Morris & Hanham and I huged Bro. Morris good.

I was much pleased with the Welch people for they are kind and hospitable.

We went to Hockley Chapel. There was a very good attendance.

Friday, Nov. 6, 1874 - Birmingham

We had a first class nights rest and got up at 7 a.m. had breakfast at 8 and at 8:50 a.m. Bro. Lyman left New Street R.R. Station by the Midland road for Nottingham. I shook his hand and went to the baths and had a splendid wash and put on clean clothes. Bro. Morris and I called at the Gazette office and thanked them for their kindness in printing his article on Polygamy which appeared in this mornings Paper. We took dinner at the C.H. and I wrote letters to my Brother C. W. Smith and my sister S. M. Smith. I bot a necktie and 2 boxes paper colars, cost 2 + .1 1/2.

I mailed the Gazzette to Father containing bro. Morris letter on Patriarchal Marriage.

Sunday, Nov. 8, 1874

It was a very cold night. I rested well and took breakfast at Conference House and at 10:34 took train for Dudley. I took 1 + 4 1/2 to pay my fare with. I had a very pleasant ride through the black country and arrived at Dudley 11:15 a.m. and called upon Sister Rowberry and her little girl showed me the way to bro. Fellows and I went their and took dinner and bro. Fellows and I walked up to Dudley Castle and enjoyed ourselves among the ruins. At 2:30 we went to the meeting house and had a very good Testimony meeting.

I Called and took tea with Sister Wedge after meeting and stoped until 6:30 p.m. and I went to meeting and talked 50 minutes and enjoyed tolerable freedom. The brethren gave me 3 + 2. Our meeting was very good and we all seemed to feel well.

At 8:15 I left for Birmingham where I arrived safely and found a lot of the Saints [and] called upon Bro. Hurst.

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 1874 - Birmingham

At 4:30 a.m. Sister Hurst called me and said bro. Hurst was failing and at 5:53 he breathed his last, passing away without pain just as if going to sleep. I took breakfast at C. H. Mr. Hollis and Wife and myself laid Mr. Hurst out. I went to Clarendon Road and informed Miss Hurst of the death of her Father.

In the evening I went to the Chapel to attend Council. All passed of pleasantly. Bro. Robinson walked back to C. H. with me and tried to comfort Sister Hurst.

11 p.m. I retired to rest. I had an attack of wind collic but I took some brandy and it passed of.

Thursday, Nov. 12, 1874

I took dinner at C. H. and spent the p.m. in reading from Isaiah and Bro. O. Pratts Pamphlet on the Holy Spirit. It has been very cold and

quite clear for Birmingham and seemed very much like November weather in Utah. I am cold and chilley and my head aches a little. Bro. Hurst is to be burried on Sunday. He is keeping very nicely. I have been thinking of home and feel happy in the anticipation of meeting them all well in the great future in our own pure atmosphere and at the foot of those majestic old mountains so dear to a freeman and lover of truth.

Friday, Nov. 13, 1874

The Weather still continues cold & it seems quite clear for this black old town of Birmingham.

I spent the evening reading from a little book entitled the Mirage of Life, and was very much interested.

My cold seems worse to night. At 9:30 p.m. I sought the arms of Morpheous.

Saturday, Nov. 14, 1874

I arose at 8 a.m. feeling rested but my cold seemed bad & throat sore. The morning is cold and smoky. I feel well & happy in spirits. I took Breakfast at C. H. and spent some time reading from the Mirage of life. At 10 a.m. I went to the reading room and from there to Bro. Spokes. I had a most splendid romp with the children. We had dinner at 3 p.m. and Bro. Spokes and I spent the time untill 5 p.m. in conversation.

I returned to C. H. and found another daughter of Sister Hurst, Mrs. Chambers and I spent the time until 12 at night explaining the principals of the gospel to the three daughters and son. Miss Pendry was also by and all hands felt well.

I explained some of the workings of Plural marriage and talked very freely to them on that doctrine.

At 12 midnight I went to bed.

Sunday, Nov. 15, 1874

I had a very severe coughing spell in the night. I got up at 9 a.m. and breakfasted.

The inscription on Bro. Hursts coffin is as follows, the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.

John Hurst
died Nov. 10th 1874
Aged 59 years.

Bless the Lord of my soul

There were present at the funeral of his children Mr. John Hurst, Miss Mary Ann Hurst and Mrs. Maria Kite and of Sister Hurst children Mr. John Willis, Mrs. Ann Wright and Mrs. Jane Chambers and Mr. Alfred Willis and there were quite a number of other friends.

Bro. Robinson conducted the service in the chapel at the old Cemetery. After his remains were deposited, the company returned to C. H. and had dinner and beer to drink. It seemed strange to me but such is the custom.

Tuesday, Nov. 17, 1874

I had a good nights rest & did not cough any in the night and I seem better of my cold this morning. I had breakfast at the C. H. and spent the a.m. reading from the prophet Isaiah. I wrote to E. N. Freeman. I took dinner at Bro. George Smiths and spent the time until 3 p.m. I then returned to the C. H. and took tea at 4 p.m. Sister Hadley came in and had tea with us. I was reading from my guide book untill 8 p.m.

Mrs. Pendrey came in and brought a chicken for our breakfast on Thursday morning and some medicine for me. At 8:15 p.m. I went to chapel and there was a very good attendance of the brethren and we had a good time.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1874 - Priestfield

At 4:30 p.m. I walked out to Priestfield [from Wolverhampton] and am now at Bro. Bush's. It has been a very fine day for this time of year but to night the fog is very dense. I can bark like a Trojan. I am in what is called the black country and it is black enough from here to Birmingham to satisfy any body on earth. I guess every bit of ground has been undermined and it presents a fearfull aspect.

Saturday, Nov. 21, 1874

This morning the fog was very dense and so it has continued all day. I feel it very much on my lungs as it makes me cough. A person can not see only a few rods ahead of them.

Sunday, Nov. 22, 1874 - Chasetown

I did some hard coughing in the night but rested moderately well. I breakfasted at bro. Godridges and I read a while in [Orson] Spencers letters and We called on Mr. Sterling who invited me to come back to dinner.

We called on Mr. Proffit and he seems a good deal like a dry branch. I returned to Mr. Sterlings and had a good dinner of roast mutton, cabbage, potatoes, and an apple dumpling to eat and ginger beer to drink. After dinner I again went to bro. Godridges but only two brethren came so we had no meeting. The brethren told about a man who had said if he could he would drown Prest. B. Young and now within a week he had been drowned himself. His name was George Cooper.

We had tea at bro. Godridges at 5 p.m. I had bread and butter and cold watter.

I went to Mr. Sterling and we chatted until 10 p.m. and then I went to bed in a good dry clean bed.

Tuesday, Nov. 24, 1874

I left Brown hills by train for Walsall where I arrived at 11:50 a.m. and went to Sister Bullars and had dinner with her. I then called on a sister Hammond whose husband aint in the church. I conversed a little while with her and then called on bro. H. Hammond but he was away from home. His wife is not in the church but she treated me very kindly, gave me some ginger beer to drink. She sent the little boy with me to show me where her husband worked. I found him and talked with him a few minutes and I think him a very good man, but without much energy.

I left Walsall at 3:15 p.m. and arrived in Birmingham at 4 p.m. I went to the Conference House and found bro. Morris well and we just hugged one another good. I found letters from my Wife, Aunt Lucy, Ann Cable and G. B. Taylor. All are well at home and they have plenty to eat thank the Lord.

Wednesday, Nov. 25, 1874

I rested first class and did not cough but very little during the night. Bro. Morris is not well this morning.

I went to bro. George Smiths to dinner. I had a nice rabbit stew and then returned to C.H.

I wrote letters to my Mother, sister, Wife, son & Aunt Lucy and took tea at home or hot watter and bread & butter. It has been raining all day like wrath. 9 p.m. it is snowing Just like it does in Utah. At 10 p.m. we retired to rest.

Saturday, Nov. 28, 1874

We rested splendidly, and breakfasted at C. H. and fixed up and went to Bro. Hardings to dinner and at 1 p.m. took train for Redditch where we arrived at 1:52 p.m. and called on Mrs. Chambers and then we went to Bro. Perry and visited a while and then returned in the evening and took tea with Mrs. Chambers. At 6 p.m. Mr. Perry, Bro. Morris and myself called on Bro. James Simons who seemed perfectly dead, but said he knew the Gospel was true but he was behind the times. At 8 p.m. Bro. Morris and I went to the Temperance Hotel and at 9:50 p.m. we retired to rest, feeling satisfied that Bro. Perry was a bad lot. Perrys sons both had been committing adultery with his hired girls and hell is to pay and no [?] hot. I hope he himself aint tarred with the same stick.

Sunday, Nov. 29, 1874 - Redditch

We rested well and went to Bro. Perrys to Breakfast and we also took dinner there and spent the most of the day in talking on principal and in relation to the course his boys had taken.

At 4 p.m. we called on Mr. John Willis and took tea and spent the time untill 6 p.m.

6 p.m. we returned to Mr. or bro. Perrys and took super and spent the evening untill 9:50. His Eldest son was there and was a nice looking young man.

We went to sleep again at the Temperance Hotel. We rested or slept in a good clean bed and it cost us one shilling each a night and Bro. Perry, a man that is making lots of money is to[o] stingy to give us anything to pay for our beds with.

Monday, Nov. 30, 1874

We rested well and went to Bro. Perrys to breakfast and had toast and he spit out his screed[?] at Miss Godfrey. Mrs. Perry gave me 1 shilling but I dont think she let her husband know.

[At the railroad station] we met Miss Godfrey and bro. Morris had a chat with her about the Perry trouble and at 2:40 p.m. we left Stoke by Rail for Birmingham where we arrived as hungry as wolves not having anything only a little toast during to day. My feet as also bro. Morris' were very sore.

Tuesday, December 1, 1874 - Birmingham

We rested well and I got up and found a letter from Aunt Lucy dated Nov. 15th and it contained the news that Prest. Youngs health was on the improve and that father and all at home were well. Also a letter from Cousin J. F. S[mith].

Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1874

We walked over to West Bromwich and took dinner at Bro. Barbers and then walked to Grits Green and called on Sister Mumford and had a glass of old ale to drink. We then walked to Dudley Port and took tea at Bro. Stanfords. His wife is not in the church but treated us very kindly. From there in company with Bro. Stanford we walked to Dudley and went directly to meeting. Their was 6 persons present. I spoke about 20 minutes and Bro. Morris about 30 minutes. We both felt free. At 9 p.m. We took train for Monument Lane and reached C. H. about 10 p.m. It cost 8 pence each. In all we walked 11 miles.

We had a bowl of gruel and at 11 p.m. retired to rest. It is cold freezing Weather all day to day, and I felt first class and we both enjoyed our out very much.

Thursday, Dec. 3, 1874

We went to bro. Furgersons to dinner and then returned to C. H. and We went to Bingley Hall to the Cattle Show and it was worth almost any price to see the different kinds of Cattle, sheep, Hogs, ducks, geese and the great number of fowls and their was machinery of all kinds and a great many kinds of vegetables and Samples of oil cake and other kinds of food for all kinds of animals.

We paid a shilling each and I felt amply paid.

We went to Chapel at 8 p.m. and had very good time in testimony meeting.

Friday, Dec. 4, 1874

We got up at 9 a.m. after a good rest and went to the baths and had a splendid wash. We had breakfast at 10 a.m. at C. H. The [Millennial] Stars¹ came at 12 M. and at 12:25 p.m. I left Birmingham for Coventry where I arrived at 1:25 p.m. and went to Bro. [George] Smith's & took dinner, and then him and I went to St. Marys hall. It is a grand old place. I saw the Statue of Lady Godiva, the Pictures of a number of the kings and Queens of England and a piece of Tapestry was hanging across the end of the hall. There was also some old armor and spears. This place is called the Guild hall of Coventry. We went into St. Michael's Church. It is a fine large place. From there we went into the Trinity church. This is also a fine place but not so large as the other. We then went and took a look at Peeping Tom and from there to the Market Hall and looked at a number of other places of interest and returned to Bro. Smiths and had tea.

We then called on Bro. Reynolds and found him almost broken hearted. He had hurt his foot and had been unable to work for some three days, and his family were without the necessary amount of food. I comforted him as well as I could and Bro. Smith & I returned to Bro. Smiths house and spent the evening until 10:30, and then I went to the Greyhound lodging house to sleep. The bed was dirty but I made the best of it and used my two coats to make out sufficient cover to keep me warm.

Bro. Smith is also out of work and very hard up but he makes the best of it and doesn't give up to trouble.

Saturday, Dec. 5, 1874

I rested tolerably well and got up at 8:15 a.m. and went to Bro. Smiths and had some toast & lard spread on it for breakfast. I wrote letters to my wife, Aunt Lucy and Joseph F. Smith. I took dinner at Bro. Smith's, a nice pork steak and potatoes. Bro. G. Smith and I took a walk around town. Coventry is a very fine specimen of an old English town. Many of the buildings are very old and date back hundreds of years. We had tea about 7 p.m. and I drank a glass of beer.

Sunday, Dec. 6, 1874

I rested very well and never got up until 8:30 a.m. I had breakfast at Bro. Smiths, after which we went to Bro. Reynolds and the three of us called on several of the saints and then Bro. Smith and I took dinner at Mr. Porters and then we went to Meeting and the Brethren and sisters bore tes-

¹The *Latter-day Saints' Millennial Star* (1840-1970) was a newspaper published by the LDS church in Great Britain.

timony and the sacrament was administered and I spoke about 45 minutes and after meeting I went to Sister Porters and took tea and spent the evening untill 9:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 7, 1874

I did not sleep very well. Was very restless. At 8 a.m. I got up & went to bro. Smith and had my breakfast of toast and lard and warm milk & watter & Sugar.

Sister Hayward sent me one shilling in penny stamps.

I had dinner again at bro. Smiths. Sister Porter gave me 1 shilling and the p.m. was spent in conversation. I had tea at bro. Smiths and we was reading in the Bible untill 10:15 p.m. when I retired to rest.

Sunday, Dec. 13, 1874 - Stratford

At 8:20 a.m. I got up having had a good nights rest. It looks very dark and threatening. I had my breakfast at Mr. John Seals, a slice of bacon and some toast and lard. I spent the A.M. reading in the compendium [by Franklin D. Richards]. I went with bro. George Seal and had dinner of some roast mutton and potatoes & a sewit dumpling.

At 2:30 p.m. the brethren and sisters came together and the sacrament was administered and the brethren and sisters bore testimony. Sister John Seal spoke in tongues. I talked a few minutes.

Thursday, Dec. 17, 1874 - Birmingham

We went to bro. Spokes to tea. From their returned to Chaple and bro. Morris baptised Miss Julia Morgan. We had a meeting. Bro. Halliday spoke a few minutes and so did I. Bro. Morris confirmed Miss Julia Morgan. We returned to C. H. and at 11 p.m. we turned in.

Friday, Dec. 18, 1874 - West Bromwich

[At 12 m.] bro. Halliday and I left Birmingham for West Bromwich. We went to Sister Barbers and had dinner and spent the p.m. visiting her.

Mr. Mathews, the man for whom sister Barber keeps House for came home drunk and had a little accident with his bed room door and a pair of old shoes he got to making them dance about. He went to bed and then we turned in. The devil took possession of him and he got up and went down stairs and told Sister Barber that she might trust us but he would not so he dressed himself and went of but about 12 midnight he came back and talked about putting us out doors but he changed his mind and went to bed.

The day was very cold and biting.

Saturday, Dec. 19, 1874 - West Bromwich and Priestfield

Bro. Halliday nor myself never slept a bit. I was coughing all night. Old Mr. Mathews laid quiet enough after he went to bed the second time.

We had breakfast with Sister Barber and then walked 2 miles to Grits Green. Called on Sister Mumford and Sister Rowley who gave us our dinner and a glass of good ale. She gave us a shilling each and we walked to Swan Village station and booked for Priestfield. We had a little conversation with some gentlemen on the first principals [of Mormonism].

Sunday, Dec. 20, 1874 - Priestfield

I coughed some during the night but rested very well. We had breakfast at bro. Bushs and then Walked to Wolverhampton and visited the Sunday school. Went to Sister Walsh and to dinner and tea.

We had a testimony meeting. Bro. Halliday and I both advised the Saints to live their religion. Their was but few present. In the evening I talked on first principles and celestial Marriage 30 minutes. I did not feel very free. Bro. Halliday spoke 17 minutes and exhorted the saints to be firm and showed how God had blest his Saints in the past. After meeting we walked out to Priestfield and spent the evening in reading Pauls 1st Epistle to the Corinthians and we retired to rest satisfied with our days work and both feeling well.

Friday, Dec. 25, 1874 - Birmingham

We got up about 11 a.m. had a few mouthfuls to eat and at 12:30 p.m. Went to Mr. Smiths. Prof. Thomas Hadley and wife had come down from London. Our party consisted of Mr. Smith, wife, son & Daughter, Sister[s] Hadley & Hurst, Elders R. V. Morris, G. C. Halliday and Miss S. J. Pendry and myself. Had dinner and tea their and spent the evening in fun and frolic until 1 a.m. and then returned to C. H. We also had supper.

Retired to rest about 2 a.m.

Sunday, Dec. 27, 1874

We got up at 9 a.m. and had breakfast at C. H. Bro. Morris went to bro. Furgersons to dinner. Bro. Halliday and I took dinner at C.H. and went to Chapel at 2:30 p.m. All three of us spoke. Bro. Halliday and I returned to C. H. and spent the time untill six p.m. reading in the Bible and O[rson]. Pratt's [pamphlet entitled] Devine Authority. At 6:30 went to chapel and I spoke 55 minutes and bro. Halliday 10 minutes.

A crowd of young Ladies and Gentlemen came in and spent the evening singing Hymns.

11 p.m. we went to bed.

Friday, Jan. 1, 1875

We had a very good nights rest, and breakfasted at the Conference House on pigs feet, and spent the morning in conversation, and bro. Morris gave me eight shillings to pay my fare through to Hereford.

Sunday, Jan. 3, 1875 - Ridgeway Cross

I slept with bro. Hind and rested very well. I did not take any dinner or breakfast and we visited and at 2 p.m. we all went to meeting. Their was 25 persons present. The sacrament was administered and I spoke on the first principals for one hour and then several of the brethren and sisters bore testimony. I felt very well and talked quite free. After meeting some of the brethren and sisters went to bro. Hinds and had tea and they sang hymns and we enjoyed ourselves very much.

Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1875

I did not rest very well. The fleas and coughing made it a very bad night for me.

At 8 a.m. I got up and had my breakfast at bro. Hinds and at 8:50 a.m. left Ridgeway Cross for Colwall where I arrived at 10:30 a.m. after a very nice walk through a lovely piece of country. I bought a R.R. ticket for Hereford cost 2 + o. The warm rains has caused snow to melt and it has made regular lakes along between Colwall and Hereford.

It is a lovely day. Seems more like May than January. I left Colwall at 11:06 a.m. and arrived at Hereford at 12 m. I went to bro. Johnsons and found the folks all well and a letter from bro. Morris containing letters from my Wife, Mother, Aunt Lucy and Sister Clarissa. I sat down to a good harty dinner after which I wrote to my wife, Mother, Aunt Lucy, and Sister Clarissa.

I feel very happy and comfortable. Sister Johnson is a curious woman but she treats me very kindly and I feel perfectly at home.

Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1875 - Hereford

I did not rest much for I was chilling and feaverish and did a good deal of coughing. I got up about 9 a.m. and drank two cups of tea and then wrote a letter of six pages to my Father and a card to bro. Morris. It is another beautifull day, but I feel fearfull bad. My cold has settled all over me, and it makes me feel about a hundred years old. At 1 p.m. we had a very good dinner but I did not want anything to eat.

I read awhile from the Acts of the Apostles but I felt so ugly I did not enjoy it much.

We had a very nice supper of fish (Pike) and was chatting all the evening. At 10 p.m. I went to bed feeling fearfull bad.

Friday, Jan. 8, 1875 - Hereford

I coughed most all night just as hard as I could bear. I got up at 9 a.m. and had my breakfast of some bread, butter and a cup of tea.

I went about 2 miles out of Hereford to see bro. Kempe, who is sick with a cold. I administered to him and spent 3 hours and a half in conversation. I did not have any dinner.

Saturday, Jan. 9, 1875 - Hereford

I had a most splendid nights rest and did not cough but very little during the night and I feel this morning very well indeed.

I had my usual allowance of bread and butter and cocoa for breakfast only the cocoa was something new to me. I was reading in the Testament for a short time and sleeping in the chair untill dinner time.

Sunday, Jan. 10, 1875 - Hereford

I rested first class and got up and breakfasted at 10 a.m. It is raining this morning.

I went to bro. Hughes and had dinner and had a very pleasant time untill 2:30 p.m. When we went to meeting. Their was about 12 persons present. The brethren bore testimony and I spoke 25 minutes and would have talked longer but it hurt my lungs.

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1875

I rested very good and got up at 8:20 a.m. and had a hot buiscuit for my breakfast.

Bro. Johnson gave me 4 + 10 and at 9:50 a.m. I left Hereford and at 11:10 a.m. arrived at Worcester and went to bro. Balls and had dinner and then walked to Powick four miles to bro. James Jones. His wife was very much pleased to see me and I felt very much at home.

Thursday, Jan. 14, 1875 - Birmingham

I did not rest very well was coughing a great deal and very restless.

I spent the day at Conference House. At 6 p.m. I had my supper and went to Hockley Chapel at 8 p.m. There was about one dozen persons present. The brethren bore testimony and then I bore my testimony speaking 15 minutes.

At 10 p.m. I retired to rest after taking a dose of castor Oil.

Sunday, Jan. 17, 1875 - Birmingham

I feel horrid bad. My face and head aches like wrath.

I did not eat any breakfast, dinner or supper and stoped in the House all day reading and trying to get a little sleep. It seemed to me one of the longest days that I had ever experienced in my life.

At 8 p.m. Bros. Morris & Halliday came home and we had a good hug all around and we were chatting untill 11 p.m. when We retired to rest.

Tuesday, Jan. 19, 1875 - Birmingham

I feel better this morning than I have before for ten days.

We got up and went and had a splendid bath and bro. Morris and I had our breakfast at 11 a.m. Bro. Halliday is observing fast and writing letters. Bro. Morris and I went to bro. Hardings and found him sick and

administered to him. We had supper and then returned to Conference House and found bro. Halliday reading. At 8 p.m. We all three went to Hockley Chapel to Council and found a very good turn out and we had a very good time. A good spirit prevailed and all felt well.

We returned to Conference House at 10 p.m. and just had a good time visiting untill 11 p.m. when we turned in.

Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1875 - Stratford

I am all o.k. this morning and we again separate to our places of labor.

At 11:40 a.m. I left Birmingham for Stafford where I arrived at 12:40 p.m. I went to bro. Clarks and had dinner. Found Sister Clark improving slowly but I think surely.

I called on bro. Flamank and had supper and chatted untill 8 p.m. He gave me 3 shillings. I returned to Sister Clarks. She gave me 2 shillings to pay for bed with and I went to the Three Tons Inn to sleep.

Saturday, Jan. 23, 1875 - Liverpool

I did not rest much there was so much confusion in the street.

I breakfasted at 42 [Islington Street, the mission headquarters] and spent most of the day in reading Aesops Fables. Joseph F. was writing a leader for the Star. It was raining off[f] and on all day.

We had a very good dinner of corned beef and Potatoes. The boys live well at 42 but not extravagantly. I am very near as well as it is possible for a man to be.

Sunday, Jan. 24, 1875 - Liverpool

We had a good breakfast and at 11 a.m. we went to meeting.

In the evening went to meeting and I attempted to speak but felt perfectly tied.

Had supper at 42 and talked a while and at 10:15 p.m. retired. Bro. J. F. [Smith] and I was conversing untill 12 mid night.

Monday, Jan. 25, 1875 - Liverpool

I rested moderately well but got up with a head ache. We had breakfast and I spent the forenoon in reading in Macaully Essays.

I visited Browsers Museum and was inspecting the vast accumulation of very interesting relicts from every part of the world, also some paintings, one of which the death of Lord Nelson to me was very perfect.

Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1875 - Southport

At 8 a.m. We got up and had our breakfast and at 9:10 a.m. bro. Nuttall and I booked at Exchange Station for Southport where we arrived at

10 a.m. and visited the market and then we walked out on to the Pier, for the privilege of going cost 2 pence each.

At 5 p.m. we again returned to bro. Carrs and had bread and butter and shrimps for tea. At 5:30 p.m. we went to the Aquarium and spent an hour looking at the seals, sharks & other fishes. The Picture Gallery and winter gardens were very fine. Although we could not get into the latter we looked through the glass doors. The building is fine and the collection of live fishes is first class. Our visit cost a shilling each and I felt amply paid. At 7 p.m. bid bro. Carr goodbye and was off for Liverpool, where we arrived at 7:50 p.m. tired but happy and feeling well paid for our days work.

I forgot to say that the country between Liverpool and Southport is sand hills and looks very much like portions of Utah dixie [in the southern part of the territory].

At our usual time we turned [in] but not to sleep but to talk until 1 a.m. Good night Joseph.

Monday, Feb. 1, 1875 - Liverpool

I breakfasted at 42 and the day was mostly spent in reading from the life and travels of Elder Parley P. Pratt. We had a good dinner and supper and spent the evening in conversation.

Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1875 - Liverpool

It is a most beautifull day for old England.

Prest. Joseph F. Smith, bro. Nuttall, George Ball and myself crossed the Mersey [River] and went to what is called the float and hired a boat and took ride. It cost 1 shilling an hour, and we was gone from the starting place, one and a half hours and had a splendid time. Although it was so clear and bright when we started it gave us a shower before we got back to the landing.

We got a joke on one another on board of the ferry boat. There is a cabin fitted up for ladies and a notice stuck up to that effect but we did not see it, and so went in and took seats. Directly it began to fill up with ladies, and no other gentlemen put in an appearance, so I sneaked out & J. F. S. and L. J. N. [L. John Nuttall] followed all feeling as if we had been in some mischief.

At 8 p.m. Cousin J. F., L. J. N. & self went to see Mr. R. Heller, the wizzard, give one of his entertainments. It was very pleasing, and we enjoyed it very much. About 11 p.m. we returned to 42 and turned in.

Thursday, Feb. 4, 1875 - Liverpool

Bro. L. J. Nuttall and myself went to the Alexandria Theatre and witnessed the performance of the pantomime of Jack and the bean stock. The scenery was the most beautifull that ever I have looked upon, the house was crowded and we paid 1 shilling each for standing room. We returned to 42 about 11:30 p.m. and retired to rest.

Friday, Feb. 5, 1875 - Liverpool

I slept just as well as it was possible for man to sleep. We arose at the usual time and sat down to a good breakfast. The forenoon was spent by me in reading in the Bible and snoozing. We had a most excellent dinner, and the afternoon was spent in reading and the evening in playing games untill 10:15 p.m we turned in.

Sunday, Feb. 7, 1875 - Liverpool

I got up with a head ache, having taken a little cold from a bath I took on Saturday. I was reading home papers during the forenoon untill 11 a.m. when we went to chapel. All hands, myself among the number bore testimony.

It is snowing tonight and it is cold and disagreeable, the air very heavy. Moody and Sankey the American Revivalists are holding forth in Victoria Hall to 8 thousand people. How the world runs after its own.

Monday, Feb. 8, 1875 - Liverpool

I wrote a short piece for the Star entitled Christian Revivals. It is my first attempt at anything for a Paper.

Tuesday, Feb. 9, 1875 - Liverpool

I wrote letters to my wife, Newton Farr and T. B. Taylor, and in the evening Cousin J. F. Smith and bro. L. J. Nuttall & myself went to Victoria hall and heard Mr. Moody preach for about 40 minutes. It was in my opinion a miserable effort, consisting of little storys that were calculated to operate upon the feelings of the weak minded. He is about a fourth or fifth rate speaker. Their was probably seven thousand people present.

Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1875 - Liverpool

In the evening Cousin J.F.S., bro. L. J. Nuttall and myself went again to hear Mr. Moody preach. I came away satisfied that St. Paul in his writings 2 Timothy 38 fourth chapters was right. The room was again crowded and Mr. Moody spoke 40 minutes. We came away feeling disgusted to think mankind could be taken in by such nonsense.

Monday, Feb. 15, 1875 - Liverpool

I was reading in the Bible most all day. In the evening bros. Nuttall, Greenwood and myself went to Victoria hall, but it was so crowded we could not get in.

Thursday, Feb. 18, 1875 - Birmingham

In the evening we went to Hockley chapel. There was 30 persons present. All hands seemed pleased to see me back.

Tuesday, Feb. 23, 1875 - Birmingham

At 5 p.m. we returned to 26 [Tenby Street] and I found a letter from my wife dated Feb. 4th enclosing the following telegram

St. George, Feb. 4th, 1875

Lucy Smith, S. L. City

Prest. Young says the Turkish bath will cure John Henry of his cough. Mail dispatch to him. All well.

Geo. A. Smith

and a card from my wife with the words (ever true) on the front and on the back the following lines

If with true love a heart can beat
I know that love is mine
Each hour I pray that I may meet
The faithfull love of thine.

Sunday, Feb. 28, 1875 - Birmingham

At 1:30 p.m. we went to a Council and bro. Morris removed bro. Sharp from the presidency of the branch and appointed bro. Edwin Brewster president and he chose bro. Boddison and Henry Haynes his councillors.

Wednesday, March 10, 1875 - Walsall

At 2:40 p.m. Bro. Halliday and I left Birmingham for Walsall, where we arrived all right, and we went to Mr. Jones the Photographer and looked at a picture of Bro. George Halliday, and from there we went and called on Sister Sylvester who treated us very kindly. She gave me 9 pence. We called at Mrs. G. Bullers who is in the church, but we could not get a bed here. We left our satchels, and called on Sister B. Hammond and she gave us some supper. We went to Ball St. to see bro. M. Cooper but the House was shut. We returned to or Called on bro. Henry Hammond and spent the evening there. We tried all the saints to get a place to sleep but did not make it out. We then tried to hire a bed, but it seemed as if it was impossible, including the Saints. We tried at fifteen places before we succeeded in getting one at last. At 10 p.m. we went to the Dragon Inn and hired a bed. It cost us a shilling each. At 11 p.m. we went to bed.

Saturday, March 13, 1875 - Chasetown and Litchfield

We rested very well and we got up at 7:30 a.m. and went to Bro. J. Ashtons to breakfast. We had some ham and bread and our usual suply of warm water and sugar. At 9 a.m. we started for Litchfield where we arrived at 10 a.m., the distance is five miles. We went to Bro. J. Wright and they received us very kindly. At 11 a.m. we visited the Cathedral and spent an hour in listning to the music which was very good, the praying to us seaming to be a mockery.

Sunday, March 21, 1875 - Wolverhampton

We had a good bed and rested well and we got up at 9:30 a.m. had breakfast and walked to Priestfield and changed our clothes and then walked to Bro. Hands at Coppice. Shortly after our arrival Bro. Morris came in & we had a good shake of the hands and then went to the Temperance Hall. There was about a dozen persons present. Bro. Halliday spoke 15 minutes, I then talked 30 minutes on faith, and Bro. Morris asked the people to come in the evening and bring their friends with them. A man in the audience asked Bro. Morris how many wives he had, and Bro. Morris told him enough to leave his neighbors alone.

At 6:30 p.m. we again met, and Bro. Morris spoke 40 minutes and I 10 minutes. We had a very good attendance. After meeting we walked to Great Bridge & took train and we reached 26 Tenby St. [Birmingham] at 10:30. I received two letters from Father and 1 from sister Sarah telling me of the death of my sister Marys son John Henry Wimmer, and also that my son Don Carlos had been very sick but was a little better.

Friday, March 26, 1875 - Worcester

I rested very good indeed and got up and went to Bro. Balls and had some toast and a bun and a cup of coco. Everything is dirty & nasty, the children dirty and with their hair uncombed.

We went to the Cathedral and attended the morning services. Praying and singing seems to be their fort. The building inside is the finest that I have visited. The carving is magnificent. Everything has been over hauled and put in new. I saw an old gate to the grounds on which was inscribed the following King Edgar A.D. 957. I had some dinner at Bro. Balls, and then walked through a lovely country to Beauchamp Lane to Bro. James Jones and found Sister Jones at home.

Sister Jones daughter (Mrs. Niel) came over from Worcester. She is a tall fine looking woman. She is not very healthy looking. Miss Fany Jones, another daughter about 19 years old is at home, a very good looking young lady. Sister Jones keeps her house as neat as a pin. A young man by the name of Caswell came in and spent the evening. All passed as merry as a marriage bell.

The flowers begin to bloom in the fields, and everything is gradually beginning to assume the appearance of spring.

Saturday, March 27, 1875 - Beauchamp Lane

I rested the best kind and got up at 7:30 a.m. It is another beautiful day. At 9 a.m. bid sister Jones good morning and strolled along through some splendid country. Where ever you look you see signs of thrift, splendid farms covered with grass, grain and trees with now and then an old fashioned house and out buildings, with large lumbering carts, and the great heavy cart horse, with his driver dressed in corduroy trousers and duckin jacket, happy and

contented. You find him always the same ploding good natured man trained to toil from years end to years end and always at the same kind of work.

I passed through Malvern link and called at Bro. Carns and had some plumb cake for my dinner, after which I walked on to Ridgeway and found all well at Bro. Hinds. During part of the day the wind blew so that it was very disagreeable, as the road was dusty and the dirt flew arround at a fearfull rate.

Sunday, March 28, 1875 - Ridgeway Cross

It is a cold morning and looks like snow. I had a bad night with the fleas, but on the whole I slept very well.

Monday, March 29, 1875 - Ridgeway Cross

At 7:30 a.m. I got up and had some breakfast. During the night the fleas went for me. It is 9 months to day since I left Ogden, the time seems to have flown. Miss Betsey Williams acted as guide for me for 4 miles to Bro. Davis where we spent the day. This part of the country is most beautifull at the present time and the scenery is grand, it being hill and dale, with small clumps of trees, fine pastures in which is seen the white faced cattle and sheep of various breeds, with farm Houses scattered about in valley and on hill with the Ivey clambering up the walls and old out buildings that must have been put up hundreds of years ago. As you wander along the hard road you cross a small brook which is fringed with different kinds of underbrush and the silvery water goes dashing over the pebley bottom and moves on to the sea. A man begins to think that he is in fairy land when the dream is broken by the gruff good day of some laborer wending his way to the adjacent field. All nature seemed in repose.

We, accompanied by young Bro. Davis returned to the Cross at 6:30 p.m. At 7 p.m. we went to the room and found four strangers and quite a number of the brethren and sisters. I talked 1 hour. Bros. Davis and Hadley gave me 6 pence each and at 11 p.m. I went to bed satisfied.

Wednesday, March 31, 1875 - City of Hereford and Bushbank

I slept splendidly and did not cough at all during the night. The bed was nice and clean and dry and there was no fleas, so I went in for a first class rest. I did not get up untill 10 a.m. It is another most beautiful day.

At 11:40 a.m. I left Hereford and walked to Bushbank 9 miles to see Sister Clark. I was just 2 1/2 hours in making the trip. I found the old Lady rather feeble and her neice quite out of sorts.

I had a very good visit with the old Lady, but I took some cold as she had but little fire, and my clothes were wet with sweat. I had some bread and cheese for dinner, and a glass of cider and for Supper about 10 p.m. I had some Potatoes and bacon and two fried eggs. At 11:30 p.m. I went to bed.

Tuesday, April 6, 1875 - Hereford and Birmingham

I had breakfast at Bro. Johnsons and he gave me 4/9 to pay my fare. I left Hereford at 9:50 a.m. and after a pleasant ride I arrived at Birmingham at 1:30 p.m.

I found Bro. Morris quite well and the friends at Counsel were all well. I received a letter from my wife dated 14th and Deseret News bearing date 17th and Bro. Morris had Herald up to the 20th which gave notice that Chief Justice J. B. McKean was about to be superceded as Prest. Grant had nominated a Mr. Parker to fill the place and our people must feel good over this another victory of Gods cause.

Friday, April 9, 1875 - Birmingham

At 12 m. Bro. Morris and I went to Bro. Spokes and had lunch and from there Bros. Spokes, Morris, and myself went to Curzon street station and booked for Hampton Station and we then road two miles to the race course or steeple chase. There was 8 races, different distances. It rained most of the day but all went pleasantly, and I enjoyed myself very much. We returned to Birmingham, and found Bro. Halliday at 26 hartly and well. The evening was spent in visiting untill 11 p.m. when we went to bed.

Monday, April 12, 1875 - Manchester and Liverpool

We [had] breakfast at C. H. [Conference House] and at 10:30 a.m. Bros. J.F.S., D. McK., L.J.N. and myself bid the brethren good by for the present and left for Liverpool, where we arrived in time to eat a good dinner. We found all well at 42. Bros. E. Young, L. J. Nuttall, David McKenzie, W. B. Carrington and myself took a walk around the town and finally brought up at the Turkish Baths in Duke St. W.B.C. left us and the rest of us went in and took a good heavy sweat. We all enjoyed it very much. After we got out we went for a walk, and then returned to 42. I weighed with overcoat and rest of clothes 227 lbs., without overcoat 218 lbs. and naked 204 3/4 lbs. W. B. Carrington and I had a little sparring and wrestling. At 10:30 p.m. we all went to bed.

Tuesday, April 13, 1875 - Liverpool

I received letters from my wife, Lorin Farr and R. R. Anderson in which I received an order for two sovereigns or \$11.10 Eleven dollars and ten cents. Aunt Bathsheba sent me \$6.10, Aunt Lucy \$5.00.

Wednesday, April 14, 1875 - Liverpool

I spent the forenoon reading in a history of Mexico and the p.m. was principally spent in taking a Turkish bath, the hottest room and 212 degrees boiling heat. Evening Cousin J.F.S. [and] myself played three games of chess. 10 p.m. we went to bed.

Thursday, April 15, 1875 - Liverpool

I wrote a letter to Father asking him to assist me to go to the continent. Also a letter to Bro. W. C. Staines asking him to send a letter [crossed out] telegram to Father asking for the same thing.

Joseph bought my steamer ticket to Scotland cost 12/6.

Friday, April 16, 1875 - Liverpool

We got up and had our breakfast at the usual hour, and Bros. Lyman, Squires, Nuttall and Myself took a walk to St. James cemetery and neighborhood and returned [to] 42 and had our dinner and then E. I. Young and Myself took a walk to Duke St. and had a Turkish Bath which I enjoyed very much. It took us about two hours. On my return to 42 I found a suit of clothes and I was much pleased with them. They cost £3.15.0 Bro. Lyman and I went to Mr. Biers the Tailor and he was measured for a suit of the same kind of goods.

We returned to 42 and had supper and at 8 p.m. Prest. Jos. F. Smith, F. M. Lyman, J. Squires, L. J. Nuttall and Myself went on board of the steamer called the Bear but we did not leave the dock untill 9:20 p.m. when we moved out under flying collors, and we stood on deck and watched the lights on shore as they blazed and flickered in the distance. The sea was smooth and we moved along at a lovely pace.

Saturday, April 17, 1875 - Irish Sea

I got up at 7 a.m. and went on deck and learned that we had passed the Isle of Man and were in sight of the Scottish coast which raised very abruptly up from the sea, making an imposing scene. The shore was dotted here and there with some fine dwellings, and the old tumbledown huts of the peasantry. The sea was as placid as it was possible for it to be. The sun shown in all of its splendor and occasionally a ship would come dancing along under full canvas or the smoke of a steam ship would be seen in the distance. All was peace, and we all felt free and happy. Just before noon we passed a huge rock lifting its head 1,100 hundred feet out of water. Its name was Ailsa Craig and it seemed to be the home of gulls as it was literally white with them. This island or rock was on our right. The coast of Scotland was in sight part of the time, and part of the time was obscured by fog.

As we steamed up the Clyde [River] some beautiful scenery stretched away to the right and left, the remains of old walls, fine residences, with clumps of trees and little villiages were nestling as it were in some little glen. As we move on all kinds of crafts are seen moving in all directions. We run into Greenock and our boat stops and begins to discharge her cargo. Greenock is a great ship building Port and all was bustle and busy. It was 5 p.m. when we arrived and we was to remain untill 8 p.m. before we were to leave for Glasgow. We went on board of a ferry or river Boat and started for our destination. It cost 6 pence for 21 miles ride. Our fare from Liverpool was 12 + 6 and I had two meals which cost 5/3. But now I am on board the river

boat and it is off[f] for Glasgow, and as we move rapidly along we find ourselves in the midst of great Iron ships both complete and in skeleton shape. We pass yard after yard. In the background is some splendid homes, and the glorious hills rise gradually untill they are lost in the distance.

We passed Dunbarton Castle where M. Wallace was betrayed into the hands of the English. It was a large rock and on the top stood the ruins or some of them of the Old Castle. It is in the Edge of the river and stands entirely alone. We gradually moved up the stream untill we came to Bells Monument which was erected to commemorate the launching of the first boat on the Clyde. It stood among the ruins of Dunglass Abbey. We ran on to Glasgow and got on shore at 7 p.m. and went to the Allans Temperance Hotel. We had some supper and Bros. A. McFarland and Chester Call came in also Bros. McKenzie and Peter Sinclair and two other valley Elders. We spent a very pleasant evening together and at 11:30 p.m. went to bed.

Note We visited the Salt Market and I never saw such drunkenness & debauchery as was aparent on every hand. Men and women by hundreds were runing about in mad confusion. They were almost nude, and so profain as to almost make ones blood boil.

We also went to the green but all was quiet and peace. I received a letter from my wife with check for £2.00.

Sunday, April, 18, 1875 - Glasgow

It is a lovely morning. We had our breakfast, and at 11 a.m. went to the City Hall. Present on the stand J. F. Smith, F. M. Lyman, John Squires, A. McFarland, C. Call, D. McKenzie, Peter Sinclair, R. Hogg and Ingram and myself. We had three good meetings, a splendid spirit prevailing all the day through.

Our meetings were well attended, the room being comfortably full, and all was peace and Joy.

Monday, April 19, 1875 - Glasgow

Prest. J.F.S., L.J.N., John Squires, C. Call, A. McFarland and Myself visited the Glasgow Cathedral which is built in the Gothic style. Portions of it is very old. We also visited the Necropolis. It is located on a hill overlooking a large portion of the city. On the highest point is a monument in memory of John Knox the great reformer of Scotland. Arround it are many other monuments in all styles and shapes. I pronounce it the finest Cemetery that I have seen in England.

We had our dinner and at 1:45 p.m. took train for Balloch on Loch Lomond. We hired a boat and went up on to the Lake. It is a beautifull sheet of watter. 24 miles long, it is about 1 1/2 miles wide and is surrounded by sloping hills, covered with grass, and small groves with castilated mansions scattered over a wide extent and which were reflected in the watters of the calm and glittering loch.

Cousin J. F. Smith returned to Glasgow and F. M. Lyman, L. J. Nuttall, John Squires, Chester Call and Myself walked 1/2 mile to Dunbarton Castle [a] place celebrated as being the place where Sir William Wallace was imprisoned by the English. The Castle was built on a rock 360 feet high which stands alone, right on the banks of the Clyde. It is now a government fortress or quarters for a few troops. One of the soldiers acted as guide. We clambered up the stone steps, passing through the gates and in a few moments stood on the top of this lump of sand stone which is made one of the Historical spots of Scotland. We saw what was said to be the two handed sword of Wallace and also the battle ax of Robert Bruce.

We descended leisurely to the bottom of the rock, and I walked away in a reverie, and could but let my mind wander back over the past, when the feudal lords were all powerfull, and held the masses in almost bondage and were continually striving to overthrow each other. My reverie was broken by our arrival at the station, where we again got aboard of the Cars and were soon off[f] for Glasgow, where we arrived tired and hungry.

Tuesday, April 20, 1875 - Glasgow and Edinburgh

We got up in good season and had our breakfast, bid sister Ure good bye and walked to Queen St. R.R. Station where we were met by D. McKenzie, P. Sinclair, S. J. Nuttall, F. M. Lyman, J. Squires, A. McFarland, C. Call, and we all booked for Edinburgh.

The scenery was lovely on all hands . . . and in a few minutes we were in Edinburgh, and climbing the steps to get up from the station, and one of the finest sights of a life time burst on my view. A short walk brought us to Drumonds Temperance Hotel, where we engaged rooms, left our things and went to Sir Walter Scotts Monument and paid two pence to ascend it. It is built in the Gothic style and out of red sand stone, is 180 feet high and is the second finest monument in England. From there we went to Castle. It covers a good many acres of ground and is now used as barracks for the troops. [We] were shown all over it, and visited the room in which Queen Mary gave birth to James the first of England and James the sixth of Scotland. I looked out of the window from which he was lowered down the rock two hundred feet when only 8 days old. We also saw the crown and Swoard and some other relics of the ancient kings of Scotland.

At 5 p.m. we returned to the hotel and ordered dinner and while it was cooking we went to Nelsons on Carlton hill. We got sight of Holyrood Palace, the firth of forth and a Mountain called Arthurs seat where bro. O. Pratt erected an Alter and asked the lord to give him two hundred souls and after much labor he baptised that number and two over.

We took a walk through the town and saw some of the fast women moving around. At 11 p.m. we went to bed.

Wednesday, April 21, 1875 - Edinburgh

At 6 a.m. I got up, and at 8 a.m. we had our breakfast, and our bill was 3/9 for two meals and a bed. Bro. C. Call and I went to Arthurs Seat a high mountain about one mile from Edinburgh and where Bro. O. Pratt went to ask the Lord to give him two hundred souls. We knelt down and asked the lord to bless us, and guide us to his praise. Bro. Call prayed first & I after. We had a splendid view of the country, and felt amply paid.

I feel well satisfied with my visit to Edinburgh and vicinity, and I think it the finest City I have yet visited in this country.

Thursday, April 22, 1875 - Cawdenheath

When I got up this morning I found that Sister Ellen Drybury had went to work and washed out my stockings and got them dry for me. It is the first time one of the sisters had been so thoughtfull, and I shall ever remember her thoughtfulness as my stockings were very nasty.

We had breakfast with her and at 8:30 a.m. we left by R.R. for Lock Leven where we arrived all safe and sound. We hired a boat with two men to rowe for five shillings for two hours. It is most splendid fun and we enjoyed ourselves very much. We visited the old Castle where Mary Queen of Scots was imprisoned. It is on a small Island and is mostly covered with trees.

Sunday, April 25, 1875 - Hebburn

We got up in good season and took a short walk and came in and had a good breakfast. We went to the station at 10 a.m. and took train for South Shields where we arrived all safe and went to Central Hall, and at 10:30 a.m. our services commenced and I opened by Prayer.

[At the 6 p.m. meeting] a man got up and asked to talk but was refused as we only had ten minutes to dismiss meeting and get to the station. The man was supposed to be (Taylder) to whom Bro. O. Pratt wrote [the pamphlet entitled] absurdities of immaterialism in reply to some pamphlets by the above named man.

8:20 p.m. we returned to Hebburn and to Bro. B. S. Newton and had supper.

Tuesday, April 27, 1875 - Hebburn

We got up in good season and had breakfast and bid Sister Newton and her children good by for the present. She is a most splendid woman and treated us like a mother. We went to New Castle by train and in doing so crossed the celebrated bridge. At new Castle we bid Bros. MacFarland and Call good by. Bro. Lyman and I booked for Liverpool and Bro. J. Squires for York. We passed through some lovely country and saw many fine towns and cities and among the number was Durham, who like imperial Rome sits on her seven hills, has her historic Castle and Cathedral and with all is a fine City of fifteen thousand inhabitants. We passed through Carlington and in a

short time we were in the City of York which has a fine Cathedral and the City is surrounded by a high stone wall.

4:15 p.m. the shout is raised Lime Street station [Liverpool]. We were 7 hours making the trip of one hundred and eighty miles. We called at 42 and found Bros. Joseph F. Smith and L. J. Nuttall just returned from Wales. All hands were well.

Bro. Lyman and Myself had some business with Prest. J. F. Smith pertaining to Bro. C. Call who labors in the Durham & New Castle Conference.

On the arrival of Bro. A. MacFarland at Hebburn on Saturday April 24th he found a letter from John Simpson Sen. and J. Simpson Jr. informing him that Bro. Chester Call had been perpetrating a fearfull outrage upon a 12 year old daughter of Bro. Scott. The letter was shown to Bro. Call, and he owned to the fact that he had put his hand under her clothes and fingered her privates. The brethren decided that Bro. Call should stop away from meeting on Sunday which he did. On Monday Bros. Lyman and MacFarland went and saw the parents of the child, who told substantially the same story as bro. Call with the exception that the child said he put his finger up her three times. During all of this fearfull scene, the child's parents were in the room. Bro. Call did not try to go any farther in this affair. He went away from the House and was gone three days and returned to Bro. Scotts and asked them to forgive him and they said they would. This Job was done April 9th.

Bro. Call feels very humble and desirous to do all in his power to make it right, but alas one false steep blackens a whole life time of good works. After Bro. Lyman and I had made our report of the affair Prest. Smith wrote to Bro. MacFarland that Bro. Call was to return home as soon as possible. I did not intend to write the above but Prest. J. F. Smith said I must keep an accurate history of facts as they occur. At 10:30 p.m. we all went to bed, I sleeping with J.F.S.

Wednesday, April 28, 1875 - Liverpool

In [evening] walking to 42 we met hundreds of abandoned women seeking whom they could catch in their fearfull web. One of them said to me as I passed good night brother. On our arrival at 42 all hands were in bed and we soon followed suit.

Thursday, April 29, 1875 - Liverpool

We had our breakfast at 8 a.m. Prest. Smith [received] a letter from Br. A. MacFarland stating that Bro. C. Call was at Lime Street Station, and also that an other story was started about bro. Call but did not say what it was. At 9 a.m. Bro. F. M. Lyman left the Central station for Nottingham.

Prest. J. F. Smith Sent Bro. C. Call home by the Inman Steamer City of Berlin. He seemed to feel very penitent and was sick at heart. He said to Prest. Smith it is great to come out here like a missionary and go home like

a dog. He would not own to anything else, said he was perfectly clear except in the one case.

I was reading in the home papers during most of the p.m. In the evening Prest. Smith, Bro. L. J. Nuttall and myself took a walk and called at the young mens meeting. Quite a number bore testimony of how good they felt since they had given their heart to Jesus. Oh! how fearful it is that young minds should be so misled as regards Gods sacred truth. We returned home at 11:30 and went to bed.

Friday, April 30, 1875 - Liverpool

Mr. Brier sent up the overcoat I had ordered. It cost £2.20. I like it very much. I paid for it with the money sent me from home.

Saturday, May 1, 1875 - Liverpool

The morning is wet, but the Town seems alive with interest and people are moving in all directions as this is the great annual horse fair day. At about 11 a.m. the Horses of the rich companies of Liverpool came out in all their silver mountings and dressed off in flowers and gay trappings.

At 7:10 p.m. we left Lime street station in a third class car. At Crewe a Presbyterian by the name of Campbell came into the car where we was and we got in to a protracted conversation on religion untill he left the car at Spon Lane. Before leaving he asked me to call on him. At 10:30 p.m. we got off the cars at Monument Lane [Birmingham] and a few minutes walk found us at 26. We found M. H. Hardy, H. S. Gowans, E. N. Freeman, R. V. Morris and V. L. Halliday. All were in good health and spirits. We were visiting untill 12 or 1 and then we turned in.

Sunday, May 2, 1875 - Birmingham

I went to Hockley Chapel and Baptised Caroline Mountford, aged 25 years July 9th, 1875 and she was confirmed by Prest. Smith.

Tuesday, May 4, 1875 - Birmingham

We got up in good season and had breakfast, after which we received some good brotherly advice from Prest. Smith in relation to our being to[o] free and social with the Saints. [He] advised caution, to be kind to all but not to allow to much freedom.

Wednesday, May 5, 1875 - Birmingham, Dudley, Priestfield

We had dinner at 26. Bro. Halliday and I bid Bro. Morris good by for the present and we went to the Monument Land Station and booked for Dudley Port at 5:34 p.m.

We went on to Dudley and met with the saints, there being seven persons present. I talked 45 minutes and Bro. Halliday spoke ten minutes and Bros. Stanford and Price talked a few minutes each. We asked the Saints to give us a bed but there was none present that was able to do so. I had 1 + 6 given me and Bro. H. had the same. At 10:20 p.m. we left Dudley for

Priestfield where we arrived at 10:40 p.m. I asked the station Master if he knew where two Mormon Elders could get a place to sleep. He said he did not but thought we had better go on to Wolverhampton. We thanked him and went to Sister Bush who was up, and made us welcome. We had prayers and were soon in bed reflecting upon the experiences of the day. A man can always be learning. I forgot to say we went to one Public House to hire a bed but failed.

Friday, May 7, 1875 - Wolverhampton

We got up at 10 a.m. having rested first class. We had breakfast and dinner at Mr. Walsh and called at Bro. H. Haynes and spent four hours. I had some genuine good bread and milk for tea, and you may guess I enjoyed it as it is seldom that good Milk can be got hold of.

Tuesday, May 11, 1875 - Wymbleberry

I laid in bed untill 8 a.m. when I got up and had some breakfast and I spent the forenoon in conversation with Mrs. Wilbur who is not in the church. She told me that Joshua Ashton had tried to put his hand under her clothes once when riding in a trap [carriage] with him and some other little bits of what had occurred between them. I had dinner at Wilburs, bid [goodbye to] him and wife and the rest of our friends on that side and walked back to the Chase. Went to Bro. J. Ashtons, told him what she had said about him, but he denied it all saying he had been free with her but had made no improper advances to her. I had tea with him and at 7:30 p.m. I went to Bro. Goderidges, had some supper and spent the evening in conversation with him and his son in law. 1:30 p.m. I went to bed.

Saturday, May 15, 1875 - Birmingham and London

The scenery along the road [to London] is very fine, and the time was passed very pleasantly in conversation with some gentleman. We stoped at Bedford a few minutes, and again steamed along, arriving in London at 8 p.m. and took buss for Ball Pond Road where we arrived all safe and sound, and found Bros. R. T. Burton, M. H. Hardy, W. L. Binder, H. C. Fowler, F. M. Lyman, B. Eardley, W. B. Barton, E. N. Freeman. All were well and a general good time was enjoyed. Cousin J. F. Smith came in about 10 p.m. Sister Ellis keeps Conference House. I eat a hearty meal at 11 p.m.

Sunday, May 16, 1875 - London

We got up early and went to the C. H. and found all hands stirring. We had a good breakfast, and then went [to] Dalston and took seats on a buss and was driven to Elephant & Castle. We then walked about 3/4 of a mile to Kennington Park and we took a walk around and at 10 a.m. went to Horns Assembly rooms and at 10:30 a.m. our services commenced.

Our meetings were well attended and all hands gave good attention. I am satisfied that good must result from it.

Monday, May 17, 1875 - London

We got up at 6 a.m. and took a walk returning to C.H. 7 a.m. We had breakfast at C. House, and Bros. Barton, Eardley, Watts and Myself went to the Crystal Palace and spent the time until 6:30 p.m. looking over this Grand building of Glass and Iron with its millions of interesting reflects, and its refreshment stands. I bought three views of the Palace and Grounds. We took train for Victoria Station and walked up Victoria Street and the Strand. We saw the Grand old Westminster abbey with its legion of Kings, Queens and statesmen and scientific men buried there. Just across the street stands the House of Parliament in all its Grandeur, but it is shut out from sight by the many buildings. We passed along the left side coming from Victoria station of St. Pauls Cathedral and soon found ourselves at the Albion Hall where the saints were holding a concert. It passed off very pleasantly untill 11 p.m. when Bro. Morris and I left and went to our lodging house. I forgot to say that I passed by Trafalgar Squair, the Horse guards and Ma[n]y places of interest. My days work cost me 10 + o. I felt first class all day and was not as tired as I thought I should be. I hope I have learned much that will be of use to me in the future.

Tuesday, May 18, 1875 - London

Bros. Morris, Fowler, Freeman and Myself started out on a visit around the City, Guild hall we visited first, and from there we went to St. Pauls Cathedral and we all went to the very top. We then went to the Albert Memorial which is the grandest piece of work I ever saw. We looked at Albert Hall, and from there went to the Kensington Museum and spent hours in looking at its wonderfull collection of antiquities and paintings.

Bro. Morris and I went with Mr. Hadley to his house and had tea, and from there we went to Madam Tussaud & Sons Wax works, where we spent 3 hours. It is the finest thing of the kind in the world.

Wednesday, May 19, 1875 - London

At 10 a.m. Prest Smith returned from Liverpool bringing the following Telegram

Salt Lake City U. T. May 3d
8 Battery place, N. Y.
W. C. Staines

Write forthwith. Joseph F. Take John. Money will be forwarded.

George A. Smith

I wrote Father a few lines acknowledging the receipt of Telegram and stating that we were off [to Europe]. The brethren all went with us to St. Catherines wharf, where we bid those not going good by, got into a skiff and was pulled to the steamer Virgo.

When on board our party was found to consist [of] Prest. J. F.

Smith, F. M. Lyman, E. N. Freeman, M. H. Hardy, & Myself. We took a first class passage which cost £2.3.0. fare and my food was 9 shillings.

12:30 p.m. we glided swiftly down the River Thames with occasional rain and sunshine spoiling our view of the River.

Friday, May 21, 1875 - Hamburg, Germany

We went a walk into the Park and from there to the Zoological Garden where we spent some time looking at the hundred and one curious animals, fowls & snakes. All was confusion and hubbub. From there we went to a hill over looking the River Elbe and took a splendid view of the forest of masts and wonderful crowd of steamers and boats of all classes.

I was well pleased with Hamburg. Its buildings are good, and the countanances of the people agreeable. The Population is 270,000 thousand and it is the fourth commercial city in Europe. At 5:10 p.m. we left Hamburg by Rail for Kiel. At Altona we passed through the German customs house. The officers were quite civil. We moved slowly along through a level country dotted here and there with small villages, and farm Houses scattered about on the fertile spots. Our route lay through Schleswig Holstein which was taken by the Germans from the Danes in 1864. It is a hard looking country and I cannot see why the Germans were so hungry.

We arrived at Kiel and went on board steamer Hermod and left our traps and took a look around the Town. 10:30 p.m. I went to bed and at 12:30 a.m. the boat left Kiel, and in a few minutes a fearfull shriek broke on the still night. The Padle wheel had caught a small boat with a man in it and had ground it to powder and must have mangled the man all up. Boats were sent out but he could not be found.

Saturday, May 22, 1875 - Copenhagen, Denmark

11 a.m. we arrived in Copenhagen and was met by Bro. C. G. Larsen and several other valley brethren who guided us to Lorentzensgade No. 14 where we found all well. We went and took a bath and put on clean clothes and returned to C.H. and had a good dinner. Bros. Hardy, Brown, Geertsen and myself took a short walk in the town and returned in time for supper. After which we all went to the Saints meeting room where the Presidents of the several branches in the Copenhagen Conference made their reports which showed 959 members in good standing in the church. A splendid spirit prevailed and the reports were made with ease.

Sunday, May 23, 1875 - Copenhagen

10 a.m. the meeting was opened and the Conference business was transacted after which a few of the brethren talked and a good life giving spirit was manifest in the room. Between the morning and afternoon meetings we all took a walk. 2 p.m. our services again commenced. Prest. Smith spoke and Bro. P. C. Geertsen gave the interpretation to the Saints. Bro. Lyman spoke a few words and P.C.G. explained what had been said to the

Saints. I spoke and I must say I never felt better in my life. It seemed to me as if I was enwrapped in the spirit of the living God and that It fairly glowed in my soul. The Saints and the brethren around me also seemed filled with the spirit of life, and Joy and peace pervaded the entire assembly, both Saints and strangers.

At 7 p.m. we again met and the same good influence was manifest. Bros. Hardy and Freeman bore Testimony and bro. Geertsen gave it in Danish. The Danish brethren bore Powerfull testimony. The Hall was filled. There was between 5 & 6 hundred persons present at all three meetings and they were principally young men and women. Some middle aged and but few old ones. This is one of the days in my little history that I shall remember with Joy & look back to as the crowning scene in my mission up to the present time.

Monday, May 24, 1875 - Copenhagen

We had breakfast and Bros. Lyman, Hardy, and myself went to a Photographer and sat for a picture. From there we went to Princes Palace and visited the gallery of coins & medals and returned to 14 and found five Elders just arrived from Utah, two of which are to go to Greenland.

[In the evening] we passed through the Kings Gardens, saw a fountain in full play, walked along side the Botanical Gardens, The Hospital and finally drew up at the Saints meeting room, which we found filled. The entertainment consisted of songs and disolving views.

At 11:30 p.m. we found ourselves again at the Mission House. Sister Ane Olsen had provided us with a rare treat in the shape of fruits, flowers & nuts fixed (on a vase) in a pyramidal shape. 1:15 a.m. we turned in feeling very thankfull for our heavenly Fathers many mercys extended unto us. The day was beautifull and we enjoyed it very much.

Tuesday, May 25, 1875 - Copenhagen

I rested very well and got up quite late and had a good breakfast. Bros. J. A. Brown, Hardy, Lyman and Myself went [to] Thorvaldsen's Museum of Sculptures and we spent two hours in looking at the Paintings and Statues. We saw a representation in Plaster of Christ and the Apostles. From there we went to the round Tower which over looks the City. It gave us a splendid view of the whole city. We also passed under the shades of the Tower of an old Church that was shot to pieces by Nelson when he bombarded Copenhagen. The Tower is left by the Danes as a monument of the barbarity of the proceeding. The church is all torn away but the Tower remains perfect.

We returned to the mission House and had dinner and we all went to see the King of Sweden arrive, which we did. I saw Royalty in all its glory, The Kings and Queens of Denmark and Sweden and the Crown prince and princess and other bloods and officers of the two kingdoms. Thousands of people we[re] present on the ground and many cannon were fired in wel-

come. The two Kings and Crown prince and some servants rode in one carriage and the two Queens and two or three princesses rode in the same carriage. All seemed to feel well and even the horses seemed to have a quiet pride in hauling Royalty.

We all returned to the Mission House and held a Council. Several of the brethren spoke and the spirit of the Lord was with us, and all felt well. We had a good supper and went and paid for a ride to Tivoli & Vauxhall but something was wrong with arrangements in the cars passing each other, so we got down and walked. We soon arrived and paid our way in and went and took a walk around. It is a magnificent spot with its arches in all colors, with its palaces lighted in the same way. We witnessed dancing, singing, Pantomimes, Bands of music, Beer Gardens, Swings.

At 11 p.m. there was a display of fire works, and when that was over we all returned to 14, had prayers and was soon in bed. Our day was well spent and joy and satisfaction the result.

Wednesday, May 26, 1875 - Copenhagen

We had breakfast. Called at picture gallery, took a walk through the Town. On returning to the Mission House I found a letter from Father dated May 3d. Also one from R. W. Anderson containing a check from Father for £20.0.0. I wrote to Bro. Morris and to my Wife. I gave the check to Prest. Smith in return for the £20.0.0 borrowed.

We visited the Rosenburg Slot (Palace) and saw many very interesting relics, Such As paintings and Tapestry, Crown Jewels, Gold and Silver Services, China & Glasware, Silver Lions, the throne, and thousands of other very rich and interesting things. The most remarkable place is the looking glass room. The sealing, sides and floor are looking Glasses. It was built by the King in order to fully exhibit the charms of his wife in her nude state and which I am satisfied it could not fail to do for you can see yourself in any position. I felt well paid for my visit to this place.

We had a good supper and went to the Saints meeting room where Counsel was held. The District Prest. made their reports and Bro. C. G. Larson talked after which Prest. Joseph F. Smith gave some good instructions and Bro. John Frantzen gave the interpretation.

Thursday, May 27, 1875 - Copenhagen

The p.m. was spent at 14. We had supper and went to the Kings Theatre and had seats in the Parquet which cost 4 shillings each. The scenery was very fine. The building inside is about the same size ours is in Utah but outside it is a great deal finer.

Friday, May 28, 1875 - Copenhagen

Sister Olsen Provided us some supper, and at five p.m. we went to the steam packet King Sverre, bid the brethren good by and steamed off from the landing. My visit to Copenhagen is ever to be remembered. The

City is fine, the People Genteel, the pavements slippery and uneven but clean.

The sea was smoothe and all went lovely with us, and at 11 p.m. we went to bed.

Saturday, May 29, 1875 - Stettin and Berlin

We steamed across the Oder and at 10:30 a.m. we arrived at Stettin all safe and went to the Railroad station and bought 3[rd] class tickets for Berlin.

12 m. left for Berlin and after a ride of 1 1/2 hours through a farming country we arrived in Berlin and took a Cab and went to the Hotel D'Angleterre, took rooms, washed and took Table D'Hote. There was 13 courses. Cousin J.F.S. & I drank Clarret. We all took a walk over the squair in front of the Royal Palace and inspected the Paintings in front of the Museum. We crossed the squair to the front of the Palace, and had the pleasure of seeing William 1st Emperor of Germany, Oscar King of Sweden, the Empress of Germany and Queen of Sweden, Prince Bismarck, the Crown Prince and wife, Von Moltke and Von Roon, and many other dignitaries of Germany. They bowed to the people as they passed along going to the grand opera. We walked down the U. den Linden, passing by the splendid Bronze Equestrian Monument of Fredrick the Great.

This street has four rows of trees, and the buildings along its sides are very fine. We passed under the Triumphal Arch, surmounted by Mars in his War charriott. We walked into the Park and spent an hour wandering amidst the cool shades on the fine gravel walks with the glorious old trees. We stoped at the foot of the magnificent monument being erected to commemorate the

German victories over France. The immense column is surmounted by a huge figure representing victory.

One thing is very evident here, and that is military rule, troops and Police on every hand, and the people seem afraid of them.

Sunday, May 30, 1875 - City of Berlin, Germany

12 m. we all went to the Museum and spent two hours among the sculptures and paintings which are very fine and gave us great pleasure only our time was so short at each object of interest. We passed through the court of the Royal Palace and returned to the Hotel. 4 p.m. we sat down to table d'Hote and took 13 courses. We sat 75 minutes. At 6 p.m. we visited the aquarium and spent two hours very pleasantly.

The women here are the Homliest I have yet seen, and I call the men hardly average.

Monday, May 31, 1875 - Berlin en route to Switzerland

We got up at 6 a.m. had our breakfast and paid our bill which was

light we considered. At 8:45 a.m. We took a third class Ticket for Basel with the calculation of stopping at Potsdam but did not stop, for fear of trouble not being able to talk the German.

The country [near Magdeburg] seems very fertile and every inch of ground is cultivated. The fields were not fenced and the farms seemed alive with women and children, with occasionally a man with a cigar in his mouth, hands in his pockets bossing the Job.

We passed through some beautiful country hill and dale covered with forest.

We crossed many streams of water, saw numb[er]less villages, many old Castles, located on rocks or hills.

Tuesday, June 1, 1875 - on train and in Zurich, Switzerland

Vineyards for the million on all sides both in valley and on hill. Now we turn a point of a hill and are in full sight of the Wonderful Rhine River, its banks covered with meadows and trees and the hills rising boldly up and covered with trees and vines.

Most beautiful scenery was on every hand, fine rivers and rivulets dashing over rocky beds, the water as clear as crystal, the Mountains rugged and covered with timber and grass and where possible covered with grape vines.

At Zurich we were met by Bro. Theurer who was well and pleased to see us. We went to a Restaurant and had a splendid dinner, and it cost only 34 cents. Two kinds of meat, Potatoes, soup, and dessert.

We all went to the lake took a boat and we had two hours ride on its beautiful waters (Lake Zurich) nestling as it were in the shades of the vine clad hills. We walked three miles to Bro. John Kramer's where we had supper. We all slept at the meeting room. All the buildings in Zurich are clean and neat in appearance.

Wednesday, June 2, 1875 - Zurich, Switzerland

We went to Bro. J. Kramers had some supper and went to meeting.

Prayer by Bro. F. M. Lyman, bro. Stucki spoke a few minutes. Prest. Smith spoke and bro. Eyring gave the interpretation. Bro. F. M. Lyman and I spoke Bro. Eyring giving the interpretation. Bro. Stucki made a few closing remarks. Benediction by Prest. J. F. Smith. There was but few people present but they felt well and seemed loath to go, after we had dismissed the meeting. 11 p.m. we went to bed.

Thursday, June 3, 1875 - Zurich and Lucerne, Switzerland

We are off [on train to top of Mount Rigi] and the thing begins to climb at a snails pace and up about 1/4 pitch up and still up we go crossing the Iron bridge passing through a short tunnel. On every hand the vegeta-

tion is shooting forth. We pass the herdsman's cots and reach the first station where stands a Palace of a hotel. Again we move on slowly, passing a few fine buildings or hotels and in one hour the word is given we are at the top where stands three fine structures, one of which was floating the stars and strip[s] among many other standards. We rush to the top and find ourselves above the clouds, with everything shut out from our view. The mist gradually lifts and at our very feet as it were lies 9 silvery lakes.

As far as the eye can reach are seen nice clean looking villages surrounded by hills and embowered by trees and vines. All nature seems to smile and be at peace in the vales at our feet. We turn and look and the Mighty Alps rears his snow crested head toweringly above us and we feel as if the Gods had combined to make an everlasting impression on our mind by the grandeur of their conceptions, by this never to be described panorama. Man has not the language or the power to give it as it is.

Sunday, June 6, 1875 - Bern, Switzerland

Statistical report of the Swiss and German mission Five valley Elders, 20 Branches in 3 conferences, 36 Local Elders, 14 Priests, 40 Teachers, 4 deacons, 509 members, 10 cut off, 73 baptised, 2 died and 5 Emigrated since January 1875. Total 603.

Monday, June 7, and Tuesday, June 8, 1875 - Berne and Paris

We got up at 7 a.m. and spent the forenoon in settling up our little accounts. I borrowed £5.0.0 of Prest. J. F. Smith. We had two good meals with the brethren at 33 Postgasse. Our visit with Bros. Stucki, Eyring & Walser has been very pleasant. They did all in their power to make us comfortable. At 1:50 p.m. we bid them good by and went into a second class Car and steamed off at a lively pace.

[After changing trains at Dijon] we left by Express 12 midnight and arrived in Paris at 7 a.m. June 8th. We took cab to Hotel D Russe but changed to Hotel D Castille as English was not spoken. We took three rooms at the Hotel, had some breakfast. Went to St. Jacques tower and had a splendid view of the city, from there to Notre Dame, The Tuilleries and garden, Place De La Concorde, Place Vendome, churches of Mary Magdelene and St. Augustine, the Arc D Triomphe.

Wednesday, June 9, 1875 - Paris

We went to Notre Dame and paid M. DuLoris 10 fr. each to go to Versaille by the Bois de Boulogne, St. Cloud, Montretout, Buzenral, Ville d Array. We saw the ruin of St. Cloud Palace, went to Versailles, saw the Beautiful Trianons, the wonderful carriages and then went to a hotel and had dinner which was very costly & not much account. We visited the Palace, the paintings are grand the finest I have yet seen. The dancing hall is all Marble and glass and is the grand of grand.

Thursday, June 10, 1875 - Paris

On the 8th we also visited the Industrial museum or the Museum of the Conservatoire des Arts et Metiers. On the 10th we visited the Louvre Museum of Paintings and Sculpture, also the Exposition Building, The Panorama of the seige of Paris, Hotel Innlades, the Tomb of Napoleon the finest thing of the kind on earth.

In the evening Bros. Lyman, Freeman, Hardy and Myself visited Jourdin Boulliers or Student College as it is called, a place where the lower class of Nymphs de Pave congregate and hundreds of fast young men. They have music and dance.

Friday, June 11, 1875 - Paris

In the evening we went with an Irishman by the name of Smith to the Grand Opera. We went to the third circle. The building is the finest of its kind in the world, and gallant men and beautiful women congregate here by hundreds. The marbel staircase in this building is the finest I have ever seen in fact it is beyond anything I had conceived. For me to give a description of it is out of the question. Bro. Lyman and I both were in raptures over it. 11 p.m. we returned to our hotel. Saw thousands of people on the streets or Boulavards. Men & women drinking but none of them drunk. I have seen the finest looking men and most beautiful women I ever saw in my life. They were simply superb. 11:30 p.m. in bed tired and ready for sleep.

Saturday, June 12, 1875 - Paris to London

I was called by the servants at 5 a.m. We got up and had some breakfast paid our bill and went to Du Nord R.R. Station and booked for London and at 7:15 a.m. we were on the move. We passed through some lovely country and halted for a few moments at Amiens and was soon on the tramp again. We passed by many small Villiages and again we halted but this time it was at Bologne. Again we move on and the angry sea soon comes in sight. We reach Callais and go on board the Steamer and eat a hearty dinner. The Steamer moves off] and soon begins to pitch about like fury, the waves breaking clear over the boat, wetting every body on deck. Very soon the people begin to get sick. Bro. Lyman among the rest soon lost the dinner he had eaten. 2 1/2 hours brought us to Dover and on board of the Cars. Away we fly to London passing some lovely scenery in Kent. 1 1/2 hours and we are at the station. We take buss for Islington where we arrive all safe finding Prest. Smith, Elders Burton, Hardy, Binder, Fowler, Johnson and Udell well, and Sister Ellis as cross as she could very well be.

Thursday, June 17, 1875 - Birmingham

At 8 a.m. I got up, when I received the following letter

42 Islington Liverpool
June 16th 1875
John Henry

My Dear Cousin:

This morning Bro. Earnest received a letter from his wife dated May 28th which reports your Father in a dangerous condition. The [Salt Lake] Herald of same date just received confirms the Letter statement, and says President Geo. A. Smith is in a critical condition. His near relatives are watching him with anxiety, and his many friends are solicitous concerning the changes in his health for the better. This is all I know. I have received no letters from home since May 23d. I felt deeply affected when I first heard the report this morning, but somewhat relieved since I cannot allow myself to think that the Lord will take him away yet, or can spare him from his important position I do not think any greater calamity *could* befall God's People today than would be involved in the death of your Father. I am looking for letters or other news every mail delivery. Will drop a line or telegram if I get any more intelligences good or bad. The company cleared in fine order, all feeling well, went out at five p.m. 125 adults, 5 returning Elders. Bro. Morris is here, expects to leave tomorrow.

With very kind regards in which the brethren Join me I am your brother and Kinsman.

Jos. F. Smith

P.S. Herald of 30th just come. Father not so well as on 28th. hopeful & c o.

Wednesday, June 23, 1875 - Birmingham

We breakfasted at C.H. and I got ready for the [Millennial] Stars. We went to an eating House and got dinner. And bro. Morris went to Cop-pice to attend to some business And I returned to 26 and got ready the Stars and sent them off. I also wrote a letter to Prest. Joseph F. Smith asking him to let me return home with June 30th Company and after mailing it I received the following from him

42 Islington, Liverpool

June 23rd, 1875

Elder John H.

Dear Cousin—

I hasten to say the S.L. Herald of 5th inst. contains the following notice:

“Recovering” Prest. George A. Smith is rapidly recovering his usual health and strength. Yesterday he was out carriage riding for a short time.”

The Paper came this morning. We received the Herald of the 6th yesterday but it contained nothing about him.

Edna says the doctors say he was troubled with fat on the lungs.

I cannot see how that can be. He is so much thinner now than usual.

Yours of yesterday Just came & read. All well.

I am happier than I was

Truly Jos. F. Smith.

I wrote to Prest. Smith requesting him to tear up the letter I had just mailed asking him to let me return home. I went to bed at 10 p.m. and Brs. Morris, Belliston & Halliday returned about 11 p.m. looking well and hearty.

Sunday, June 27, 1875 - Redditch

I rested well and at 8:30 a.m. got up and went to Mr. Chambers and had breakfast. I received the following letter from Prest. Smith

42 Islington, Liverpool

June 26th, 1875

Elder John H. Smith

Dear Cousin.

Your favors of the 23rd came duly to hand but pres[s]ing duties, Earnest being gone, and preparations for the next company have to be made, prevented me from answering sooner. This is your Father's birthday. 58 years old, and I thought I would write him a few lines if I can get time. I am expecting every day to hear more directly from him, and if thought wisdom I believe he will suggest your release, but untill then I believe you will never regret standing to the ruck-hay - &c &c.

We could arrange for you to go home at any time if necessary. Cousin John there is something very unpleasant to me in the thought of *failing* to fill a mission to my utmost. I regard my brethren in the same light as myself—failure and defeat are synonymous, and generally as we *begin* so may [we] be expect to continue. I feel as you expressed yourself. I would rather have died twenty times if possible than to have taken the course our poor little "Toot" did, in any degree. *No Sir*. Like the boy on the burning ship, let us stand at our post until father calls!

I am your friend and cousin.

Jos. F. Smith

I also received a long letter from bro. Morris giving me instructions in relation to bro. Perry's course and a few lines from bro. Ash in regard to being unable to make my boots this last week.

We went to bro. G. Perrys and took dinner, and at 3 p.m. our meetings commenced. I took the Presidency and bro. Belliston opened by prayer and I offered Perrys resignation but the saints did not vote but we accepted it and appointed bro. Simons to preside. Bro. Belliston talked 20 minutes and I about 30 minutes. After which bro. Perry got up and poured out his vials of wrath against the Course bro. Morris had taken. He showed the venom in his soul and We suspended him untill he makes reparation for his course. I spoke to the saints a few minutes and then dismissed the meet-

ing. After meeting the saints said they misunderstood what I said but that they upheld me in what we had done. We returned to Mr. S. Chambers and took tea.

A letter from my Mother dated Provo June 5th and the following letter from Father.

Salt Lake City June 6th 1875.

John Henry Smith

My dear son-

The dates of the receipt of your several letters have passed by unanswered. I have been compelled to keep to my house pretty snugly ever since [April church] Conference. During the past two weeks, I have been dangerously ill. My malady being of such a nature that I could not sleep and breathe at the same time. By the blessing of the Lord and the prayers of the Saints, I have been enabled to get some sleep, and breathe at the same time lately, and am making up for lost time, and gaining strength. Hannah has been here for the last two weeks waiting on me. She went home today but will return tomorrow. Lucy, Bathsheba, and Susan have all had their hands full. Our neighbors and friends have been very kind.

As soon as my health is good enough, I expect to start South with the President via Sanpete to make the matter of finishing the [St. George] Temple a fixed fact. The families are all well but very much fatigued with their extraordinary laboar in taking care of me.

May the Lord bless you.

Affectionately your father

George A. Smith

P.S. I hope the arrangements made for the money £20.00 for your trip to Scandinavia will prove satisfactory. Elders Nuttall and Gowans Called on me two nights ago. Forty years ago to day I preached my first sermon.

G A S.

Oh! How pleased I was to get the above—it gave me peace and joy. 10:30 p.m. I went to bed and to sleep. Today sister Wm. Stanley gave me 1 shilling.

Tuesday, June 29, 1875 - Stoke Salt Works

One year ago today I kissed my wife and children goodbye and shook hands with many friends, and for the first time started from my mountain home to search for the souls of men. I have learned much that I hope will be of use to me in after life, and I sincerely hope I have done good to others.

Sunday, July 4, 1875 - Ridgeway Cross, Herefordshire

My nation's birthday. I had another bad night on account of the

fleas. We got up and had breakfast and made ourselves ready for the meetings we are to hold out doors if the weather proved agreeable [at Bringsty Common].

We stopped on the road and gave out a meeting [notice] for evening. Had some ginger beer to drink and walked on [to the common]. A Methodist preacher by the name of Williams interrupted me, but I told him to take his seat. I would answer any questions in relation to what I had been saying. He sat down. After singing I dismissed by prayer. Mr. Williams then came forward with the book published by [ex-Mormon] J[ohn]. C. Bennett [*History of the Saints* (Boston, 1842)] and began a tirade of abuse. After bearing our testimony & proclaiming the book to be a tissue of lies we walked off leaving him spouting away. 100 persons present.

We walked back to Actons Green, the place where we gave out the meeting [notice] in the morning and found about 150 persons waiting for us.

I feel satisfied with this day's work.

Monday, July 5, 1875 - Ridgeway Cross

[Letter from wife, Sarah, dated June 15, Salt Lake City]

Dear Husband,

It has been some time since I wrote to you, but I have been sick ever since I wrote to you last. I have had one of the worst colds that I ever had in my life. It is better now with the exception of a cough, and I guess that it will wear out after while. The children are usually well. Don is beginning to talk. He got out of doors one day, and got halfway down the sidewalk before I missed him. It was a wonder that he did not get in the ditch. I have to watch him as close as a cat watches a mouse. George has got a new suit of clothes that your Mother gave him the cloth to make them and I got him a new pair of shoes so that he could go to Sunday school with the children, and he enjoyed it very much.

Joseph F. barn was burned the other day [crossed out] night. It woke me out of a sound sleep and it made me think that the whole town was on fire. Everybody has a very good idea where the fire orginated from, but they cannot prove it, so they cannot do anything about it, but I should like to see that man strung up and that is to[o] good for him. The people of the 16th ward are going to build him another of adobies, but I don't expect that will be any safer than the other as long as they have such a neighbor close by.

Your Father is not going south with the President as he expected. His health will not permit of it. He has been like one raised from the dead. You have no idea how sick he has been. He has to have watchers every night now, so I don't think he is in a condition to travel. I was afraid one spell that you would never see your Father again.

It is such a lovely night it makes one think of old times, when you and I were young. You must excuse me for not writing anymore this time for

my head dont feel just right yet. I hope nothing will happen to prevent me from writting to you again soon.

As ever your Affectionate Wife

Sarah Farr Smith

Monday, July 12, 1875 - Hereford and Birmingham

The morning is beautiful. I rested well and dreamed that Prest. J. F. Smith and I and some others took tea with the Prince of Wales and wife in one of the Palaces in London.

I would have preached in the streets of Hereford, but t ain't allowed. I had bread and milk for breakfast.

At 12:38 p.m. I left Hereford and at 4:30 p.m. I arrived in Birmingham. I went to the Conference House and found Mr. T. Hadley, wife and two children had moved into the house with us, and Mr. Hadley's Mother is to wait on us.

I had two games of chess with Mr. Hadley he winning. At 11:15 p.m. I retired.

Wednesday, July 21, 1875 - Great Barr

In passing along the road [to West Bromwich] we saw a number of hay fields under water. The cocks floating about on the water. Before we reached Bromwich it started to rain. We got out of the trap in New sreet and Walked to Grits Green 1 1/2 miles. The day has been showery and people begin to feel annoyed at its long continuance, but it simply shows how easy the almighty could bring his Judgements upon the earth & bring fanine and pestilences, disease and death.

Sunday, July 25, 1875 - Chasetown

One year ago to day I first got sight of the coast of Ireland and John Mitchell, now dead landed at Queenstown from the Steamer Idaho.

We went and notified the people I would preach on the common. I going one way and the brethren the other way. About one hundred people came out and I talked 30 minutes and would have spoke longer but the ground was damp and the air very cold, and it was 8 o'clock in the evening, and I felt that I was taking cold. All hands gave good attention and their was not interruption from any one. I spoke on the first principles and bore my testimony to the restoration of the gospel by an holy angel. I went to Mr. Thomas Pickerings and was preaching to him and wife and another Lady until 9:30 p.m. when we returned [to] Bro. Willbur's and at 10:45 p.m. we retired to rest and I felt well.

Monday, July 26, 1875 - Wymbleberry

I got up at 8:30 a.m. and had some breakfast. Today the Coal Miners of Cannock are having a demonstration and they came to the five ways from the different villiages, headed by bands of music. They assembled in a

field. I stoped in to Sister Lakins and saw them pass and then I went to the field. There was about twelve thousand men, women and children were assembled, and like most gatherings in England Lots of Drunken men and women were staggering about. Booths for beer were to be seen in all directions and Publicans were fairly coining money.

The Chairman was a Minister by the name of Cook. He made a very nice opening speech and he was followed by Mr. Charles Howell, Secretary of the Chasetown district of the laborers Union. He made a fine report of the condition of the society and made a very nice appeal to the men to be sober, honest and united, and success would attend their efforts. Mr. Wm. Gittins also spoke in the same strain as the former speaker. Mr. George Packard delivered a short but pithy address showing forth the results of the labors of Mr. MacDonalds M.P. for the laboring men of England and exhorted all to stand firm and steadfast to the union. Mr. T. Halliday spoke at some length showing forth the benefits of laborers unions and said that if the wages were still the same as in 1871 still the men now work 8 hours for a day instead of 12 as they used to do. He plead with the men to spend the 4 hours gained in getting knowledge and not in swilling beer and drinking up their hard earning from their families. He said he had not drank any strong drink for twenty years. He is by far the most intelligent man that spoke. They were all practical miners. I am satisfied that if the miners was to follow out their instructions they would be benefited.

Tuesday, July 27, 1875 - Wymbleberry

I rested very well. Bro. Wilbur gave me 2 shillings and yesterday evening Bro. Cotteral gave me 6 pence.

I ate a small bit of bread and cheese and at 10:15 a.m. I started for the Trent Valley R.R. Station near Litchfield. Bro. Goderidge walked a short distance with me, he also gave me 1 shilling. When I reached Litchfield I went to Bro. Wrights and had dinner. He gave me 1 shilling.

The day is lovely and all nature is smiling.

4 p.m. found me at Sister Clarks. She is well and hearty, and he is about as dumb as ever.

Thursday, July 29, 1875 - Stafford

I got up at 8 a.m. and made ready for breakfast. At 8:40 a.m. Sister Clark brought me the following Telegram

You are wanted in Liverpool by noon. Meet me at station at 9:53 a.m.

R. V. Morris

I went to Sister Clarks and had breakfast. The hour and thirteen minutes seemed like hours. I met bro. Morris at the appointed time and after shaking hands he handed me the following

Liverpool, July 28th
John H. Smith 26 Tenby St.
Birmingham

Telegram from home. John Henry come Immediately. Come in time for steamer to day. Must be here by noon.

J. F. Smith

Bro. Morris ran and bought tickets and we were soon moving toward Liverpool. Bro. Morris was discussing religious matter with a gentelman all the way to Lime Street.

11:30 a.m. found us at 42. We found Prest. Smith, E. I. Young, E. Hanham, J. Burrows and bro. Parry all well. After shaking hands Prest. Smith handed me the following

Anglo American Telegraph Company Limited
Atlantic Cable Message Liverpool
Smith 42 Islington

John Henry Come immediately.

Smith

What on earth can be the matter. We are all in doubt. I went to work and fixed up my things as well as I could, had dinner and at 1 p.m. was on board of the Inman Steamer City of Chester. Prest. J. F. Smith, bro. R. V. Morris and E. I. Young and Mr. Ballon, Williams and Guion agent made the arrangements for me to go in the Cabin and a bro. Simpson went steerage. At 5:15 p.m. I bid the brethren goodbye and we steamed out of the Mersey. I wandered about lonely among strangers. We had supper at 7 p.m. and at 10:30 p.m. I turned in not to sleep but to lay and think.

**Friday, July 30, 1875 - S.S. *City of Chester*,
Atlantic Ocean**

I did not sleep very much, was thinking of home. The sea was very smoothe. We stoped off[f] Queenstown from 11 a.m. untill 4 p.m. I went ashore for an hour and saw about 30 beggars.

The Steamer is 44 feet beam 465 feet Long. The cabin is very large and fine. I spent the day and evening in chatting. I sent a few lines to Cousin J. F. Smith.

We have five meals a day if we want them.

**Wednesday, Aug. 4, 1875 - S.S. *City of Chester*,
Atlantic Ocean**

The sea was rough all night. No fog yet worth notice. We saw an ice berg to day. There is a concert troop on board and they gave a concert in the cabin in aid of the home for salors children. It passed of very nicely. I have spent much time with the passengers talking on religion.

I have seen much on board to convince me of the depravity of the human family, both men and women. The liberties taken is fear full.

Sunday, Aug. 8, 1875 - New York City

4 a.m. we arrived at Sandy Hook and waited for the Tide until 9 a.m. when we steamed for N. Y. The doctor came on board and inspected the passengers.

I had no bother at the Custom House. They simply opened my valise and box.

I learned on landing that J. T. Caine and Sudbury were at the Stevens House, but they were out so I went down to 8 Battery and found them and bro. Staines in the office. After a shake of the hand all around I learned that Jas. A. Young was dead and Ed[ward] Tullidge was insane.

We took dinner at the Stevens House. Bro. Staines reported father improving.

Monday, Aug. 9, 1875 - New York City

The day is fearfull hot. I received a letter from father stating that he was bad but for me to take my time. Bro. Staines let me have 80 dollars. I kept very close during the day.

Evening at 6 p.m. Bro. Sudbury and I bid bro. Caine good bye and went to the Hudson River R.R. station and booked for Chicago. 8 p.m. we left.

Tuesday, Aug. 10, 1875 - on train

The day was warm. We passed through some fine country. We passed through the town of Palmyra near where the Book of Mormon was found. We stoped at Niagara falls for dinner after which we crossed the suspension bridge to the Canada side and away we steamed through that timber country. In the evening we reached Windsor and crossed the River to Detroit.

Friday, Aug. 13, 1875 - Omaha, Nebraska

We called on Mr. Kimball and got half fare to Ogden. I telegraphed to father and at 10:40 a.m. we moved out for home. The day passed off[f] very pleasantly and in the evening we had some singing.

Sunday, Aug. 15, 1875 - en route and Salt Lake City

I did not rest very well, it was to[o] cold. We breakfasted at Green River, had dinner at Evanston.

On my arrival at the U.P. station [at Ogden] I was met by L. Farr, E. Farr, E. N. Freeman, J. F. Gay, John Boyle and many other friends. When the U.C. [Utah Central] train came in my wife and children, Bro. C. W. Smith and Sister Sarah, M. Clarrissa and Grace. They told me that father was very bad. It was doubtful whether he would be alive on our arrival.

When I reached the City a number of friends met me. I went straight to father's, found the house full and him very bad. He came and kissed me and seemed very pleased that I had come.

Monday, Aug. 16, 1875 - Salt Lake City

I spent the night with father. He was very bad. At 5 a.m. he went to sleep and slept all day. This is the first good sleep in 4 months.

Tuesday, Aug. 17, 1875 - Salt Lake City

Father slept all night and awoke this morning much refreshed. I was with him all night.

Thursday, Aug. 19, 1875 - Salt Lake City

Father is gaining. He went out riding today.

I called on J. F. Smiths family also on Bro. Morris second wife.

Friday, Aug. 20, 1875 - Salt Lake City

I think Father is gradually improving.

Father rode out in the evening.

Sunday, Aug. 22, 1875 - Salt Lake City

I went to meeting. Bro. Hyde spoke. I was sick all day and stoped at home over night.

Monday, Aug. 23, 1875 - Salt Lake City

I still feel bad. I took father out riding for a short time. The rest of the day I spent at home. I stoped over night with him.

Wednesday, Aug. 25, 1875 - Salt Lake City

Father is loosing the ground he has gained. He don't rest at all. He rode out. I was with him at night. He was very restless.

Saturday, Aug. 28, 1875 - Salt Lake City

Father gets worse and worse. Still he rode out as usual.

Tuesday, Aug. 31, 1875 - Salt Lake City

Father is very bad. We drove out to and around the Temple. I told him we must do something to releive him or he was going to loose his reason. He said drive to Dr. Bernhisel and see what we can learn. We went and instructed the Dr. to call on him which he [did?].

In the evening Prests. Young & Wells And Elder called on father and had a very agreeable chat. I was not present.

I was with Father during the night. He had sever pain in the side which I annointed [with consecrated oil] and blest.

9 p.m. Bro. F[ranklin]. D. Richards came in And we administered

to him. I stoped all night, he was very bad. I was working with him all of the time rubing his hands and waiting on him.

Wednesday, Sept. 1, 1875 - Salt Lake City

At 5:15 a.m. I administered to father and went home and went to bed. At 9 a.m. I was called up and told that he was dying. I hurried up to his house and found that he was already dead, having breathed his last at 8:40 a.m. sitting in a chair in the front room. We took him and laid him on the lounge and then went and telegraphed to the family in different parts of the Territory.

Thursday, Sept. 2, 1875 - Salt Lake City

Father still lays in the ice and is keeping very nicely.

Uncle J. L. Smith came to night.

Friday, Sept. 3, 1875 - Salt Lake City

Everything is being made ready for the funeral.

Saturday, Sept. 4, 1875 - Salt Lake City

The corpse is keeping very well.

At 6 p.m. Zilpha Smith, Peter Wimmer, Clarence & B. W. Merrill and two children, Thomas Callister & Wife Caroline, Jesse N. Smith arrived from Parowan & Fillmore. Charles and I met them with the carriage and took them to the [official church] Historian[']s Office.

Sunday, Sept. 5, 1875 - Salt Lake City

At 5 a.m. I went and assisted to Bros. Taylor and McAllister to dress father.

[Diary entries ceased for the next five years.]

Saturday, Oct. 9, 1880 - Salt Lake City

[After death of Brigham Young on August 29, 1877] John Taylor, G[eorge]. Q. Cannon & Joseph F. Smith were sustained as a first presidency by a meeting of the Priesthood. F. M. Lyman and Myself as members of the Quorum of Twelve.

Sunday, Oct. 10, 1880 - Salt Lake City

The changes made at the priesthood meeting were sustained at the conference the different [priesthood] quorums voting separate.

Monday, Oct. 11, 1880 - Salt Lake City

I met with the twelve at 9 a.m. after which I went to the endowment house and staid all day. I helped in setting apart several Elders for Missions.

Tuesday, Oct. 12, 1880 - Salt Lake City

K of G [Kingdom of God]² met at 10 a.m. and again 3 p.m.

Was at City Council in the evening.

Sunday, Oct. 17, 1880 - Provo

Myself and wives and one child went to Provo. Was met at depot by B. Colton and taken to my mother's house.

Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1880 - Salt Lake City

At the office during the forenoon. At two p.m. met in Council with the twelve. Bro. F. M. Lyman was ordained an apostle under the hands of Bro. J. Taylor, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, Wilford Woodruff, Orson Pratt, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, B[ingham]. Young [Jr.] & Bro. D. H. Wells, Bro. Taylor being mouth.

I was ordained under the same hands with the addition of Bro. F. M. Lyman, Bro. Woodruff being mouth. At home during the evening.

Bro. D. H. Wells was 66 years old today and Bro. John Taylor gave him a blessing.

Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1880 - Salt Lake City

Hard at work all day.

In the evening I attended the City Council. We passed on monthly bills and worked some on an ordinance relating to Estray pound.

Wednesday, Nov. 3, 1880 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office during the forenoon and met with the first presidency and twelve at 2 p.m. And was in Council until after dark. Bro. Taylor and Councillors, Bros Richards, Woodruff, Pratt and L. Snow go to Logan conference and Bro. Wells and myself to Wasatch.

Friday, Nov. 12, 1880 - Salt Lake City

At the office all day. The business named yesterday took place to day instead of yesterday. I obtained a pass over the UCRR for myself and one and a requisition for a pass over the UPRR to Echo from James Sharp.

Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1880 - Salt Lake City

At the office all day.

In the evening I went attended the City Council. There was a peti-

²The Kingdom of God, also known as the Council of Fifty, was founded in 1844 by Joseph Smith and comprised a select circle of trusted friends, including apostles and others, to deal with political matters. See Klaus J. Hansen, *Quest for Empire: The Political Kingdom of God and the Council of Fifty in Mormon History* (Ann Arbor: Michigan State University Press, 1967).

tion of 13 hundred persons asking the City to take stock in the Utah Eastern RR.

Wednesday, Nov. 17, 1880 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office during the forenoon and with the Twelve during the p.m. I rec'd \$140.00 and paid Tithing \$100.00 and gave Aunt B[athsheba]. \$10.00.

Thursday, Dec. 2, 1880 - Salt Lake City

This morning I turned over to R[odney]. C. Badger my position as cashier and left the office. . . . It is hard to break five years of friendly and brotherly association.

In the afternoon I went to work in the office of James Sharp, Genl Ticket agent [of the Utah Central Rail Road] doing odd Jobs.

Wednesday, Dec. 8, 1880 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office during the forenoon, and in Council with the Twelve during the p.m. I paid ten dollars to the temple fund in a G.T.O. [General Tithing Office] Provision Order.³

I also got an order of Thirty dollars on Z.C.M.I. The evening I spent at home reading the evening paper and Kent's Commentaries on American Law.

Friday, Dec. 10, 1880 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office all day working at Freight reports. Josephine and myself called on her father and spent an hour. After our return home I was reading in Hume's history of England untill 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 11, 1880 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office all day and spent the evening at home reading Law.

Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1880 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office until 4 p.m. and then went to the city hall to meet with the committee on Irigation in regard to the deviding of irrigation waters with people on the bench. We were of the opinion that the courts would have to settle that matter and untill then we should control the waters as provided by city charter.

The City Council met at 6 p.m. and was in session untill 8 p.m. The reports of several city officers was read and sundry items of business transacted.

³The LDS church General Tithing Office (or G.T.O.) functioned as a sort of bank; orders drawn on it were used as a medium of exchange.

Wednesday, Dec. 15, 1880 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office during the forenoon. J. F. Smith took dinner with me and at 2 p.m. we met in council with the twelve.

I spoke to bro. [John] Taylor about Ellerbeck and myself selling our gass stock. He said all right go a head. Various subjects came up and were discussed.

Friday, Dec. 17, 1880 - Salt Lake City

At the office untill 4 p.m. and I then met with the Committee on Municipal laws for about two hours. After which J. F. Smith went home with me and Father Farr and we three spent the evening together, after which I went to J. F. S. and administered to his two sick children.

Monday, Dec. 20, 1880 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office all day. It was snowing off and on all day. In the evening my wives and self bought some toys for our little ones for Christmas. I Bot two turkeys today price \$2.08.

Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1880 - Salt Lake City

At the office all day and in the evening I left the office and went to the City Hall. We had some important business and at 9 p.m. we adjourned.

After Council J. F. Smith informed me I was to go to Parowan with Bro. Lyman to attend conference. J. F. Smith, F. M. Lyman and C. Nibley went to my house and J. F. S. blessed my wife Sarah who is about to be confined [in anticipation of child birth] and to leave her was one of the severest trials of my life. But she said go and do my duty she would not stand in my way.

Thursday, Dec. 30, 1880 - Salt Lake City

Bro. Lyman and I went to C. K. Savages Picture galery and had our pictures taken. I bot J[ohn]. L. Smith a suit of clothing.

Bro. Lyman took dinner with me and about 3 o'clock John A. Groesbeck took J. F. Smith, F. M. Lyman and myself out to the penitentiary to see Bro. George Reynolds.⁴ Gen. Butler the warden let him out and we spent 20 minutes in chat. He feels well. Our party returned to the city. We called on Bro. C. C. Rich after which took supper with J. F. S.

Saturday, Jan. 1, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at home. My wife Josephine got dinner for quite a company. We roasted a turkey that Bro. H[iram]. B. Clawson had given me.

⁴George Reynolds, secretary to the LDS First Presidency, had been used by the church as a test case challenging federal anti-polygamy laws. In January 1879 the U.S. Supreme Court upheld Reynolds's conviction, paving the way for additional anti-polygamy legislation.

Beside my wife Sarah and children and Aunt Lucy and my mother, Father Groesbeck and wife and cousin to my wife Squire Bush were with us. We had a good time a very agreeable time was had.

Monday, Jan. 3, 1881 - Salt Lake City

This evening my Uncle John Lyman Smith Patriarch gave me, my wife Sarah and our boys George Albert, Don Carlos and Ezra Chase Smith our Patriarchal blessing.

Tuesday, Jan. 4, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I was at the U.C. office working on classification all day. In the evening I went to the City Council. Uncle J. L. Smith accompanied me. After regular business we agreed by vote to sustain Justice Pyper in being more severe on our prostitutes and saloons by punishing by imprisonment as well as fine.

Wednesday, Jan. 5, 1881 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. I met in council with the twelve and we were together untill about 6 p.m. Prest. John Taylor gave us some excellent advice in regard to the liberties of other men not of our faith and that we should protect them and theirs as our own. We should not find fault with other religions and from the pulpit rail out at public men, treat all with curtesey and Justice kindness and friendship. After our Council we went to the Council House [an assembly hall for public and church gatherings] and aided in getting up a circular to the seventies of the various stakes in regard to ward and county organizations so as to know where the seventies are that they can be used in preaching the gospel and aid the twelve in their labors.

Thursday, Jan. 7, 1881 - Salt Lake City

Bro. Wilford Woodruff and myself left the city by UCRR train at 8:40 a.m. for Woods Cross where we were met by Prest. N. R. Smith and taken directly to the Bountiful meeting house [chapel]. At 10 a.m. the high Council convened and Prest. A. Call and Bp. [Bishop] Chester Call brought forward a charge against Charles E. Pearson for unchristianlike conduct in that he had been a traitor to his brethren and guilty of being profain. Pearson admitted the fact of the latter charge and asked the brethren to forgive him which was done. Witnesses were examined on both sides, and it was decided that the charges had not been sustained by the president C. Layton and sustained in this decision by the Council unanimously. Bro. Woodruff and myself advised the brethren to be sure and start right in future, do right and be just. We were in session 7 hours without intermission.

Tuesday, Jan. 11, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I went to the City Council. We had various kinds of business. A franchise was granted to a Lighting and Heating Co. and a Petition of seven

thousand people was received asking the City Council to curtail the Liquor trade.

Wednesday, Jan. 12, 1881 - Salt Lake City

At 5 p.m. myself and wives went to Bro. H. C. Eldredge's to supper. Prest. J. Taylor and Wife, J. F. Smith and Wife Julena, W. H. Hoopes and wife and William Jennings and sister Anne Davis. We had an excelent supper and the evening was spent in conversation on various subjects. 10 p.m. at home. Cousin J. F. Smith hauled my wives there and home again. It has been raining at intervals all day.

Wednesday, Jan. 19, 1881 - Salt Lake City

At home during the forenoon and [at] 2 p.m. Joseph E. Taylor brot a wagon to Bro. C. C. Rich house and Bros. Lyman, Taylor and myself put bro. Rich in the wagon and took him to the endowment house⁵ where the following named persons met in council, Prest. John Taylor, J. F. Smith, Wilford Woodruff, Orson Pratt, Lorenzo Snow, C. C. Rich, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, J. H. Smith and D. H. Wells, John Smith Patriarch, Bp. L. J. Nuttall and Bp. E[dward]. Hunter. We attended to the ordinance of the washing of feet. We had a most enjoyable time. After meeting we took bro. Rich home all right. When I reached home I found that my wife Sarah had given birth to a ten pound boy born at 5:56 p.m. All doing well.

Monday, Jan. 24, 1881 - Provo

We saw several brethren at the various stations that have been called to go to St. John Arizona, some wanted to go and some did not. At Provo several brethren were to gather and we had a talk with them. All were on hand to go and do their duty of their own volition.

Monday, Jan. 31, 1881 - Salt Lake City

Lorin Farr blessed our baby and gave him the name of Winslow Farr. He is twelve days old.

Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office this forenoon. I today bot a Concord buggy cost me \$300.00. I paid \$51.15 on my monthly account. I also paid \$11.00 to A. Gould for coal.

Thursday, Feb. 17, 1881 - Salt Lake City

Bro. F. M. Lyman stoped over night at my house. Also Father Lorin Farr. We had breakfast at 6 a.m. and I kissed my family good by and

⁵The endowment house served as an interim temple in which the ordinances and rituals of the Mormon temple endowment could be administered. In the particular ordinance referred to here, the washing of the feet, John Henry and associates washed one another's feet, pronouncing themselves clean from the sins of their generation. This was followed by a meeting.

bro. Lyman and I went on board of the southern train and started on a Six Weeks tour.

At Mona we met bro. George Teasdale and Bp. M. Haws and we went to the house of a sister Johnson and we had a council of the brethren. Bro. William Newton, one of Bp. Laws councillors had been guilty of adultery and he seemed very penitent. Bro. Lyman talked to him like a Father in kindness and love.

Monday, Feb. 21, 1881 - Manti

We visited the temple and were very much pleased at the labor that had been done by the saints of the temple district. The Sanpete Stake has paid over \$37,000 dollars tithing and about \$40,000 temple offering.

Friday, Feb. 25, 1881 - Richfield, Sevier County

I received letters from both of my wives.

Bro. Lyman wrote a letter to Prest. Taylor in regard to our trip giving a description of our labors signed by us both. Up to this point we have held 17 meetings and have adopted the rule of talking 30 minutes each.

Saturday, Feb. 26, 1881 - Richfield

We are reading Disraeli's great novel Endymion.

Wednesday, March 2, 1881 - Kingston, Piute County

The people here live in the United Order⁶ but they are in an unpleasant situation, as some of their members are drawing off, and the best of feeling does not exist. We had a long talk with four of the King brothers in relation to the affairs of the order and found that they were in doubt in regard to the final wind up of matters.

Sunday, March 6, 1881 - Panguitch, Iron County

We breakfasted at J. N. Crosby and at 10 a.m. went to meeting. Bros. N. W. Norton and James Houston both spoke a few minutes and I talked one hour and five minutes on infidelity and the celestial law of marriage and I felt very free.

Thursday, March 10, 1881 - Orderville, Kane County

The people are living in a united capacity and are getting along pretty well in quite a number of Industries. My objection to their manner of living is that in the Idea of share and share alike they come down to the lower level instead of being raised to the higher platform.

⁶The United Order was a cooperative economic and social enterprise endorsed by Joseph Smith and Brigham Young. In its most radical interpretation, participants did not hold private property but held all property in common. It proved to be more palatable in theory than in practice.

Friday, March 11, 1881 - Kanab, Kane County

After benediction we again met the High Council and several other brethren and were with them untill 6:30 p.m. instructing them in regard to their duties and in adjusting some little differences of opinion on whom the presidency fell in the absence of Prest. L. J. Nuttal and whether they could try a President of a stake. Bro. F. M. Lyman laid down the doctrine no man in this or any other stake was to large for the High Council to handle but a Bishop had to be cut off from the Church by the First Presidency or Twelve as he could only be created by that authority.

Friday, March 18, 1881 - St. George, Washington County

There was a birthday party at Sister Youngs. Her daughter Susie Young Dunford Gates was 25 years of age. Quite a company present.

Sunday, March 20, 1881 - St. George, Washington County

We took dinner at Jacob F. Gates and were in Council for an hour with Bro. W. Woodruff, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, George Teasdale and myself. The question was asked by Daniel Tyler, Can a man attain to the Godhead without his entering into the practice of celestial marriage [plural marriage] in this life or [was] the sealing [marriage] of one wife [sufficient]. We came to the unanimous conclusion that he could not. All men must obey the law or leave the result with the Lord.

Tuesday, March 29, 1881 - Milford to Salt Lake City

I arrived at home at 6:30 p.m. and found my family all well. I attended the City Council and an ordinance was passed in regard to chickens running at large. I traveled on my trip 900 miles.

Friday, April 1, 1881 - Salt Lake City

The First Presidency and seven of the Twelve were in council most of the day. We were looking over the tithing scedules or reports and find them in a rather mixed condition.

Bro. E[rastus]. Snow also reported on the position that John W. Young in regards to the R.R. contracts and felt that he had gone back on his agreements.⁷

⁷John W. Young, a prominent railroad promoter and son of Brigham Young, had convinced church leaders to allow him to subcontract work on the construction of the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad across northern Arizona using Mormon workers. Despite instructions to the contrary, he had taken too large a contract and was now finding it difficult to meet payroll. Because of his perceived disobedience to authority, Young was privately disciplined by church officials. See M. Guy Bishop, "Building Railroads for the Kingdom: The Career of John W. Young, 1867-91," *Utah Historical Quarterly* 48 (Winter 1980), 1:66-80.

Saturday, April 2, 1881 - Salt Lake City

Two meetings were held today with the Presidents of stakes at which much Counsel was given by the brethren in regards tithing matters.

Sunday, April 3, 1881 - Salt Lake City
[general conference]

At 4 p.m. the twelve met in Council and talked over the propriety of not sustaining J. W. Young as a Councillor to the Twelve on account of his breach of faith in regard to the railroad.

Monday, April 4, 1881 - Salt Lake City
[general conference]

10 a.m. I went to meeting. Joseph F. Smith and Prest. John Taylor occupied all of the time on the subject of Latter day Saints sending their children to these mission [non-Mormon] schools, when conference took a recess. The Twelve were in council from 12 noon until 2 p.m. in regard to J. W. Young and did not quite agree as to the best course to persue in regard to his being sustained, and they did adjourn until 12 noon Tuesday.

Tuesday, April 5, 1881 - Salt Lake City
[general conference]

At noon the Twelve went into Council, and it was decided not to present the name of Jno. W. Young as a Councillor to the Twelve.

Wednesday, April 6, 1881 - Salt Lake City
[general conference]

Jno W. Young's name was not presented to the conference nor [was] the quorum of the Twelve filled.

Friday, April 8, 1881 - Salt Lake City

The Council of F[ifty] met this morning at 10 a.m. and again at 2 p.m. Some good advice was given. The K[ingdom]. of G[od]. adjourned to meet at 10 a.m. May 18th.

Monday, April 11, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon at Prest. J. Taylor's office and the afternoon and evening in reading Law and history.

Wednesday, April 20, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day with Bros. G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, F. D. Richards and F. M. Lyman and several other brethren in trying [to] figure out some plan for the management of the tithing office in a better manner.

Wednesday, April 27, 1881 - Salt Lake City

My self and wives received our second annointings, J. F. Smith and F. M. Lyman officiating. Julena L. and Edna L. Smith witnesing and Edna

L. Smith received hers also.⁸

I bot a set of carriage harness cost \$75.00 I paid \$50.00 cash down and am to pay \$25.00 in G.T.O. orders.

Monday, May 2, 1881 - Midway, Wasatch County

Bros. A. Hatch, H. S. Alexander, F. M. Lyman and myself went to Midway. We crossed the Provo River on a foot Bridge and was met by a brass band and about a dozen wagon loads of people.

Wednesday, May 18, 1881 - Salt Lake City

Two meetings of the K. of G. met and talked over political matters.

Saturday, May 21, 1881 - Salt Lake City

10 a.m. the Twelve met with Orson Pratt and D. H. Wells in addition to those who were together last evening and Jno. W. Young was called upon to explain why he had disobeyed the positive agreement made by him to be governed by a letter of instruction issued by the first Presidency appointing E. Snow, B. Young, Jno. W. Young and J. N. Smith to take charge of Railroad work in Colorado and Arizona. The entire day was spent in listening to the testimony and giving our views. All spoke and condemned the course of J. W. Young, and he asked forgiveness and was willing to do anything to make matters straight that the Twelve might require. It was decided that his apology was ample to satisfy us and that when he was willing to make satisfaction to the first Presidency and had done so we were willing to again sustain him as a councillor.

Wednesday, May 25, 1881 - Salt Lake City

2 p.m. the first Presidency and Twelve met at the Endowment House. Present John Taylor, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, Wilford Woodruff, Orson Pratt, Erastus Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, J. H. Smith, Jno W. Young, D. H. Wells and Bp. E. Hunter, L. J. Nuttall and George Reynolds. The case of J. W. Young was taken up and argued and President Taylor rendered the following decision that J. W. Young can be restored to fellowship when he comes forward and gives himself and his contracts on the railroad into the joint management of E. Snow, B. Young, J. W. Young, and J. N. Smith, in accordance with a letter of instruction by the first Presidency and which had been accepted by the four parties named. J. W. Young said he would do as instructed by his brethren.

⁸Second anointings were special temple ordinances beyond the regular endowment ceremonies. See David John Buerger, "The Fulness of the Priesthood: The Second Anointing in Latter-day Saint Theology and Practice," *Dialogue: A Journal of Mormon Thought* 16 (Spring 1983): 10-44.

Monday, May 30, 1881 - Salt Lake City

Today is celebrated as decoration day. I drove to the grave of my father and my children placed flowers upon it.

Thursday, June 2, 1881 - Salt Lake City

It is hot.

I spent the day around home and was reading the history of Fredrick the Great of Prussia.

Friday, June 3, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I met in Council with President J. Taylor, George Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, F. D. Richards and myself. It was decided by the Council that the various wards of the several stakes of Zion should Incorporate in order to hold Church property in their wards. I got my pay from the City \$16.00 and an order for \$50.00 on Z.C.M.I. and ten in cash for expenses on my trip south.

I spent the evening at home. I am suffering from rheumatism.

Sunday, June 5, 1881 - Minersville, Beaver County

6 p.m. we [Francis M. Lyman and J. F. Wells] met with the priesthood and we gave instruction in regard to the political situation and the necessity of unity.

Saturday, June 11, 1881 - St. George, Washington County

We met some of the brethren in council and talked over election matters. 6 p.m. a general Priesthood meeting convened and Bro. Lyman spoke one hour on political matters, and the manner in which the Bishops should govern. I followed endorsing his remarks and making some more on the same strain and the brethren present by vote sustained our doctrine.

Saturday, June 18, 1881 - Parowan

We were in council with the brethren from 4 to 6 p.m. in relation to elections and a proper division of the representatives in those counties that were linked together by the legislature.

6 p.m. a priesthood meeting met and Bro. F. M. Lyman and myself spoke upon the political situation and naturalization and Bro. Lyman spoke some in regard to our ecclesiastical courts.

8 p.m. a mass meeting convened and Iron County acceded to Beaver the Councillor provided Beaver gave the representative [to] Piute. We have had nine hours and one half of meetings and I was tired out.

Tuesday, June 21, 1881 - Panguitch, Iron County

6 p.m. a priesthood meeting convened. I talked for 53 minutes on our political situation and advised those not already naturalized to get their papers at once and neglect of this duty was disgracefull. I advised them to

select the best of men for public office. Bro. Lyman spoke 53 minutes on the same subject and answered some questions on the jurisdiction of the Bishop Courts.

Thursday, June 23, 1881 - Beaver City, Beaver County

I sent a telegram to my wife to know how all were at home. Sarah answered that Josephine and baby was doing well. The telegraph operator asked W. B. Dougall whether a boy or girl and Dougal answered a boy and said he was born on Monday June 20, 1881.

The day was spent by me in resting and reading the Vicar of Wakefield.

The following telegram was received from President J. Taylor

Salt Lake June 23rd. 81

F. M. Lyman & J. H. Smith, Beaver

The presidency of Millard Stake asked through the Clerk for some suggestions respecting matters which you were instructed to attend to. I have advised Bro. Hinckley to consult you.

John Taylor

Friday, June 24, 1881 - Beaver City

[telegram]

Hinckley and Robison

Fillmore

We wish you to meet us here tomorrow noon, or sooner on Election matters.

F. M. Lyman

[telegram]

Fillmore, June 24

F. M. Lyman

Beaver

Hinckley is absent. Have sore hand can't come. Your choice will in election matters satisfy me.

J. V. Robison

Saturday, June 25, 1881 - Beaver City, Beaver County

I read the 2nd chapter of St. James and spoke a few minutes on the celestial law of marriage and closed by saying, I do not believe that any man can arrive at eternal power and the Godhead who did not have two wives in the flesh.

A telegram was received from Fillmore saying that Prest. Hinckley and Robison are on their way to Beaver.

6 p.m. a priesthood meeting was convened and Bro. Lyman and I

both spoke on the duties of the priesthood and our rights as citizens and the manipulation of our political affairs.

A primary meeting was held and eight delegates Elected to the county convention.

Friday, July 1, 1881 - Fillmore, Millard County

10 a.m. we attended a primary meeting of the peoples party, but few however were in attendance. I spoke a few minutes on the duties of the parties. Nominations were made of a City Council and Justice of the peace and five delegates were elected to attend the county convention.⁹

4 p.m. we met with the convention. E. Partridge was chosen for representative to the Legislature. A Selectman and sheriff were also put in nomination and three delegates chosen to go to the district convention in Beaver.

We are learning more and more of the necessity of training our people in a little knowledge of politics.

Saturday, July 2, 1881 - Fillmore, Millard County

The bed bugs gave me a terrible deal.

We received a telegram announcing the fact an attempt had been made to kill President Jas. A. Garfield somewhere on the banks of the Potomac. He was severely wounded in the hip and arm and is considered by the doctors to be in a critical condition.

Prest. John Taylor requested the saints not to celebrate the fourth of July but to waive the same out of respect to the wounded president.

6 p.m. A priesthood meeting was held. I spoke to the brethren on politics and Bro. Lyman on the same strain.

Sunday, July 3, 1881 - Fillmore, Millard County

We broke down the bedstead and laid on the floor all night and had a splendid rest.

10 a.m. went to meeting. Bro. B. Bennett of Frisco bore his testimony and Edward Partridge and J. V. Robison [spoke], the latter on the celestial law of marriage, showing that the man who had one wife sealed to him by the Holy Spirit of promise had only gone part of the way.

I presented the general authorities and Br. E. Partridge the local. After which Bro. F. M. Lyman spoke on the Celestial law of marriage laying down the rule that no man could get all of the blessings without keeping the whole law.

⁹The People's Party was established by the LDS church to protect and further its interests and was closely related to its ecclesiastical organization. The party was not disbanded until statehood became probable and its members joined national political parties.

Monday, Aug. 1, 1881 - Logan and Salt Lake City

Today is election day and it is going quietly.¹⁰

Saturday, Aug. 6, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I was reading most of the day.

Wednesday, Sept. 7, 1881 - Salt Lake City

7 p.m. I went to the City Council. The Liquor Ordinance was passed and the City Assessment approved.

Sunday, Sept. 18, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I am thirty-three years old today. My wife Sarah gave me two books, the Life of John Fitch by Thompson Westcott and The Life of George Stevenson by Samuel Smiles. Josephine gave me a nice silk handkerchief. My son George Albert gave me a buggy whip.

Bro. Orson Pratt spoke in the large Tabernacle for the first time in many months and he bore a faithfull testimony to the truth. Bro. G. Q. Cannon also spoke of the tenacity with which the three witnesses of the Book of Mormon had stood by their testimony although they had been cut off from the Church. He told the story of Oliver Cowdery bearing his testimony in a law court when taunted with having been once a Mormon.

Monday, Sept. 19, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I took my wives out riding.

James A. Garfield, President of the United States, died at 10:35 p.m. at Long Branch. The bells of the city were tolling until a late hour of the night.

Tuesday, Sept. 20, 1881 - Salt Lake City

The City is now draped in mourning and all business is stoped. I attended the City Council at 7 p.m. until all adjourned out of respect to the dead President.

Thursday, Sept. 22, 1881 - Salt Lake City

Today Bro. Lyman and myself made inquiry of several of the Twelve as to the position in which G. Q. Cannon and J. F. Smith would be placed in the event of the death of President Taylor. Bros L. Snow and F. D. Richards were of the opinion they would be in the position of J. W. Young and D. H. Wells, councillors to the Twelve [but not members of the quorum]. The latter however modified his opinion. Bro. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, F. Lyman and myself were of the opinion that they would take their places in the Quorum of the Twelve, they standing in a different position from Bro.

¹⁰John Henry Smith was elected to the territorial legislature.

Young & Wells who were never members of that quorum.¹¹

I gave it as my opinion that all men who may be councillors to the President in the event of his death fall back to their Quorum from which they were chosen.

President Taylor tendered the large Tabernacle to Governor Murray for use by all classes of people on Monday at the funeral of President Garfield.

Wednesday, Oct. 26, 1881 - Paris, Idaho

We were called to the house of Amasa Rich to administer to his wife who was in labor and she was soon delivered of a son.

Friday, Nov. 11, 1881 - St. George, Washington County.

Bro. J. Taylor, W. Woodruff, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, J. D. T. McAllister, J. G. Bleak, L. J. Nuttall and myself were in council. Several large appropriations were made to the temple and Prest. McAllister was ordered to hear a case of Laney against Bro. E. Snow.

Saturday, Nov. 12, 1881 - St. George

I received a telegram that my brother Charles was much worse and wanted me to come home. I sent word I would be there Tuesday at 7 a.m.

Sunday, Nov. 13, 1881 - Toquerville, Kane County

Prest. Taylor gave me \$20.00 dollars and his blessing and [I] started for Virgin City. Bro. John Bott took me to Silver Reef. The stage Co. gave me my fare to Milford. I had a visit with Miss Carrie Walker. A. McFarland gave me five dollars. 2 p.m. left by stage for home.

Tuesday, Nov. 15, 1881 - Provo

Arrived at Provo at 7 a.m. and found Charles a little improved. I spent the day in waiting on him and sat up during the night.

Wednesday, Nov. 16, 1881 - Provo and Salt Lake City

I borrowed three hundred and twenty dollars for mother and signed her name and mine to the note. I paid Z.C.M.I. \$96.90. I returned to Provo and received telegram from Prest. J. Taylor asking about Charles. I answered that he was better. I met S. S. Smith and had a visit with him. I sat up with Charles again tonight.

Thursday, Nov. 17, 1881 - Provo

Charles is a little improved. I traveled to the City and back to Provo.

¹¹At the time, it was possible to be an apostle but not a member of the Quorum of Twelve Apostles—for example, as a counselor to the quorum.

Friday, Nov. 18, 1881 - Provo

It was a stormy night and Charles had a bad night. No rest and quite delirious. I stoped with him all day. I received a telegram from Prest. J. Taylor, giving me his programme and asking after Charles. I answered Charles bad and that I would be at the Manti Conference.

Saturday, Nov. 19, 1881 - Provo

Charles rested first rate. I went to the city and returned. Br. D. Johns was up all night with Charles.

Sunday, Nov. 20, 1881 - Provo

Charles rested first rate. I sat up most of the night and spent the day by his bed side.

Friday, Nov. 25, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I received a letter from Charles T. Libbey of Portland, Maine in which he assailed my religion and I went after him in a long letter, showing how the Bible if he was a believer in that book that he with me must believe in that doctrine of celestial marriage.

Saturday, Nov. 26, 1881 - Salt Lake City, Provo, Nephi

I went by freight train to Provo and found my brother Charles gradually improving in health. 4:30 p.m. I joined J. F. Smith and C[h]arles]. W. Penrose at Provo and went to Nephi 90 miles from S. Lake.

Sunday, Nov. 27, 1881 - Nephi, Juab County

[At stake conference] C. W. Penrose spoke 33 minutes. I spoke 15 minutes and J. F. Smith spoke 60 minutes and he dwelt largely on the celestial law and showed by the Revelation itself that every point bore directly on the marrying of more wives than one. We took dinner with Uncle Jacob Bigler and supper with Prest. George Teasdale.

Saturday, Dec. 3, 1881 - Nephi and Provo

At 5 a.m. left Nephi for Provo where all the party stoped except Bro. Woodruff who was quite unwell with cold. I found my brother Charles considerably improved.

Monday, Dec. 12, 1881 - Salt Lake City and Provo

2 p.m. Father Farr and my son Ezra Chase and myself went to Provo. I found my brother Charles much improved.

Thursday, Dec. 22, 1881 - Salt Lake City

My sister Margaret Smith was married today to Edwin Parry. Joseph F. Smith performed the ceremony.

Friday, Dec. 23, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at Prest. J. Taylor's office. Today is the anniversary of the birth of the prophet Joseph Smith. Bp. Kesler and Mrs. Davis got up a party and supper and a most enjoyable time was had. The company were principally early members of the Church and now whitened with age. Speakers, song, and recitations were given and everything went as merry as a marriage bell. 12 midnight we went to our homes.

Saturday, Dec. 24, 1881 - Salt Lake City

Cold and roads dry and dusty. Today we made some small purchases for our children and I was at Prest. J. Taylor's office.

Sunday, Dec. 25, 1881 - Salt Lake City

My children enjoyed their Christmas very much and I took much pleasure with them.

We all ate dinner at Josephine's and at 2 p.m. I went to meeting. Bro. C. W. Penrose delivered a fine discourse on the birth of Christ and the establishment of the Kingdom of God.

6 p.m. attended meeting at the 12th ward.

Monday, Dec. 26, 1881 - Salt Lake City

Today was observed as a general holladay.

I took my family out riding and we all ate dinner at Sarah's. Today is notorious as being the day on which more drunkenness occurred than at any time since this city has been inhabited. I went to the theatre in the evening.

Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1881 - Salt Lake City

I was at the President's office all day.

City Council at 6 p.m. A vote was taken to sustain the mayor in closing all saloons on Monday January 2, 1882.

Friday, Dec. 30, 1881 - Salt Lake City

It was pleasant overhead and muddy under foot. I spent most of the day at Prest. Taylor's office.

Saturday, Dec. 31, 1881 - Salt Lake City

This is the last day of the year 1881 and has been an eventfull year for me. I have been all over the Territory and up into Idaho. Three trips have been made to St. George and three to Manti, and I have been constantly busy in the discharge of my duties. Bro. F. M. Lyman and myself have been together most of the time. It has been a harvest time among the Saints, many old members passing away. Among the many prominent ones were Orson Pratt, Joseph Young Sr., W. C. Staines, J. M. Bernhisel and

many who had passed through trials of almost every kind and still been true and faithfull.

Monday, Jan. 1, 1882 - Salt Lake City

Today President John Taylor held a reception at the Gardo house [the president's residence]. About two thousand people called upon him and partook of refreshments.

There were present of leading brethren J. F. Smith, W. Woodruff, F. D. Richards, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, W. Jennings, A. M. Cannon and many others. In the evening many brethren and sisters sat down to a repast.

My wives both called on the President and Sarah spent the day.

Josephine and myself went to the theatre in the evening.

Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1882 - Salt Lake City

Yesterday in the meeting of the Presidency and Twelve President J. Taylor presented an article that he had written thanking all hands for what they had done in fixing up the Gardo house. J. F. Smith objected to its being published and Moses Thatcher and myself also concurred with him by speaking against certain items in the article. The other brethren were more non-committal but felt as we did. No vote was taken. The president asked the opinions of the brethren present.

Today at 10 a.m. the same brethren again met in the Twelves room and Bro. Wells met with us. It was decided to pay some outstanding bills and to put plaster as cassings around the lower windows of the Logan temple.

A long communication from T[ruman]. O. Angell Sr. was read and the Council adjourned to meet at 2 p.m. at the Endowment house. I had noticed that President Taylor looked very worn in the morning.

2 p.m. we met in Council. Present J. Taylor, J. F. Smith, W. Woodruff, F. D. Richards, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, D. H. Wells, John Smith, Patriarch, L. J. Nuttall and George Reynolds. Conversation was had upon several subjects. Five hundred dollars per year was aded to the Salery of T. O. Angell Sr. and one thousand appropriated to fix up his house.

President Taylor had his article on the Gardo House read again and with slight changes it was approved. Bro. Taylor then went for those who had spoken against his article the day before and he showed much feeling. The item was that at a meeting of the Twelve some years ago a resolution had been passed which gave to the President \$2,500 a year according to J. F. Smith's statement but the minutes of that meeting showed that the Resolution gave to President J. Taylor the power to draw from the tithing without limit. J. F. Smith, Wilford Woodruff, F. D. Richards and Moses Thatcher spoke against any such power being placed in the hands of one man and that they wanted that Resolution rescinded when the men who passed it got together. President Taylor said he was in favor of it being withdrawn. Lyman and

myself did not speak on that matter because it was an action taken before we were ordained apostles but I will not vote for the President to have an unlimited draw at the tithing. Some mutual explanations were made and all felt well. When the party of brethren can be got together that Resolution must be taken under consideration. I was somewhat surprised to see the president attempt to bull down the Council after giving them the utmost liberty to speak and he will find such talk will never hold the present Council in awe.

Friday, Jan. 6, 1882 - Salt Lake City

It rained and snowed all day.

I was at President J. Taylors office and a brother from Brighton applied to President Taylor for Council. He had been divorced by the Probate Court and had gone to living with old wife without being married to her. President Taylor referred the matter to me and Instructed his Bishop to Examine into the whole matter and report at an early day.

A crank downtown had got the idea into his head that the Lord wanted him to kill Prest. Taylor. Prest. W. Woodruff, O. Cedarstrom, Capt. A. Bjork and myself laid complaint against this man and the County Court sent him to the Insane Asylum.

Sarah and myself went to Theatre.

Saturday, Jan. 7, 1882 - Salt Lake City

Snow on the ground.

4 p.m. a meeting of members elect of the Legislature met at the Council House to take into consideration offices for the Legislature. Joseph F. Smith was selected for president of Council, Clerk L. J. Nuttall, W. W. Taylor, S. Roskelley, Seargent at Arms, J. Van Cott, Messsenger, Lorenzo Farr, Usher Jeter Clinton, C. W. Smith, Watchmen, Chaplain W. Andrews. Speaker for the House F. M. Lyman, Clerk A. Stayner, J. F. Wells, John Morgan, Sargent at Arms John Smith, Messenger Levi Snow usher Milando Pratt, Watchman, E. Griffeth. Chaplin H. G. Boyle.

J. F. Smith and myself took supper with Prest. Taylor. My brother Charles came to town today.

Monday, Jan. 9, 1882 - Salt Lake City

2 p.m. the Legislature met and the House of Representatives was called to order by the Clerk of the former House. Roll was called and all the members present. I moved that we go into a permanent organization which carried. Lorin Farr moved that F. M. Lyman be made speaker. Carried. James Sharp moved Arthur Stayner to Chief Clerk. Abram Hatch moved that John Smith be Sargent at Arms. Levi Snow was made messenger, Milando Pratt Usher, Junius F. Wells Minute Clerk, John Morgan Engraving Clerk, E. Griffeth Watchman.

The Council organized with the following officers: Joseph F. Smith,

President, L. John Nuttall Clerk, W. W. Taylor Minute Clerk, John Van Cott Sargent at Arms, Lorenzo Farr Messenger, C. W. Smith Watchman, Samuel Roskelley Engraving Clerk and Jeter Clinton Usher.

The minute clerks and ushers are paid by the Territory. The members [of the Council] are Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, D. H. Wells, W. W. Cluff, Joseph F. Smith, J. T. Caine, A. O. Smoot, George Teasdale, A. K. Thurber, M. Thatcher, J. R. Murdock, Peter Barton. The members [of the House] are F. M. Lyman, Lorin Farr, E. H. Blackburn, O. G. Snow, W. B. Preston and W. H. Lee, J. H. Smith, H. W. Stout, James Sharp, John Jaques, C. W. Penrose, S. Francis, Canute Peterson, Henry Beal, Edward Dalton, W. H. Dusenberry, J. E. Booth, J. S. Page, S. R. Thurman, W. D. Johnson, Edward Partridge, S. F. Attwood, Abram Hatch & D. H. Peery.

The officers and members of both houses were sworn by Secretary Thomas. The members met in joint session and heard the governor's message read. Some portions were very good and some merely twaddle. After the joint session a Committee on Rules was appointed, also a Committee on Printing.

Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1882 - Salt Lake City

2 p.m. House met. A Committee on Rules was appointed. No business done.

City Council met at 6 p.m. Some amendments to our charter was presented and passed upon and a number of bills were allowed.

Thursday, Jan. 12, 1882 - Salt Lake City

The Twelve met in Council at 11 a.m. Present: John Taylor, W. Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, E. Snow, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, A. M. Cannon, L. J. Nuttall and myself.

The subject of the City Elections came up, and some discussion was had upon that subject, and some candidates for mayor were talked over. I gave President Taylor to understand what the feeling and sentiments of the people were in regard to political matters, either that the presiding Priesthood should dictate in those matters or leave it to the people and in my judgement it should be left as far as possible to the judgement of the people as to who they want. And I believe the day is not far distant when the people will claim to run these matters.

2 p.m. the Legislature met. A number of petitions were received and referred to the appropriate committees. The speaker announced the standing committees of the House. I am chairman of the committee on appropriations and am on the committees on Education, Highways, Irrigation, and Asylum. Every member has a chairmanship and is also on five committees.

Friday, Jan. 13, 1882 - Salt Lake City

10 a.m. the Twelve met in Council. Present: John Taylor, Joseph F. Smith, Wilford Woodruff, L. Snow, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, Angus

M. Cannon, L. J. Nuttall and myself. Names for Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors, and city officers were passed upon.

Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I was working on an act to make certain parts of the Territorial law conform to Poland Bill.¹²

Wednesday, Jan. 18, 1882 - Salt Lake City

10 a.m. the Presidency and Twelve met at the Endowment House. Present: John Taylor, J. F. Smith, L. Snow, E. Snow, D. H. Wells, L. J. Nuttall and myself. We had prayers. Prest. Taylor decided that we could administer the sacrament to children under eight.

Friday, Jan. 20, 1882 - Salt Lake City

2 p.m. the Legislature was in session and they passed a liquor law affecting the charter of S.L. City.

Thursday, Feb. 2, 1882 - Salt Lake City

Governor E. H. Murray invited the members and officers of the Legislature to meet at his house at 8 p.m. We went and found the federal officers and General MacCook and staff. We had a pleasant time.

Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1882 - Salt Lake City

Today a Territorial Liquor bill came up and I endorsed it aside from a provision that diverted the revenue from the cities to a general school fund.

6 p.m. the City Council met and the business of the evening transacted. Hon. William Jennings was sworn in as Mayor and Mayor Little expressed his regret at separating from his old associates. Hon. J. F. Smith responded in words of friendship and regard. After adjournment all of the city officers visited Mayor Little at his home and many good remarks were made congratulating him on his success as mayor of this city.

Thursday, Feb. 16, 1882 - Salt Lake City

A memorial passed both houses of the Legislature asking the Congress of the United States to send a commission to look into the condition of affairs in this Territory.

Today Edmunds Bill for the punishing of polygamy in the Territories passed the Senate.

¹²The Poland Act, passed in 1874, removed powers assumed by territorial probate courts (administered mostly by Mormons), abolished certain territorial offices (held mostly by Mormons), and strengthened the federal control over the territory.

Friday, Feb. 17, 1882 - Salt Lake City

6 p.m. City Council met and worked until 10 p.m. on a new City Charter.

Sunday, Feb. 19, 1882 - Salt Lake City

President Taylor decided that M. Thatcher and myself go East day after tomorrow and I was to pay my own expenses.

Monday, Feb. 20, 1882 - Salt Lake City

There were meetings in the morning and evening at Prest. J. Taylor, to read over the petitions gotten by the different societies to be sent to Washington. The petitions met with general approval.

Tuesday, Feb. 21, 1882 - Salt Lake City

Father Groesbeck gave me five hundred dollars to go to Washington with. I left the city Hall tonight. The new Council taking their seats.

Wednesday, Feb. 22, 1882 - Salt Lake City

3 p.m. I met with the following brethren: Prest. J. Taylor, J. F. Smith, F. D. Richards and F. M. Lyman. The question of calling a convention for the purpose of making a provisional government and getting up a constitution was talked over, but no conclusion arrived at.

Thursday, Feb. 23, 1882 - Ogden

7 a.m. I bid my family good [bye] and went to Ogden. I met M. Thatcher and we found a pass to take us to Omaha.

Thursday, March 2, 1882 - Chicago

Today was spent in visiting business houses and Bro. Thatcher got some letters of introduction to members of Congress.

We paid our hotel bill of 17 dollars each and bought our tickets to Washington. Cost \$26.00 5 p.m. were on the road after bidding Bro. Cardon good bye.

Friday, March 3, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

We arrived in Washington at 6:40 p.m. and were met by Bro. [George Q.] Cannon and Irvine and taken to the Riggs house. Had supper and called upon Capt. Hooper and his daughter who received us very kindly. Bros. Cannon and Hooper feel confident that Bro. Cannon will get his seat [in the House of Representatives]. Public opinion seems to be subsiding a little but is still very bitter.

Saturday, March 4, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

It is a beautiful day. We have visited the Capitol and was in the House of representatives. It seemed to me more like a mob than a dignified body of men.

We were introduced to many members of Congress. We passed through the building and visited the Senate chamber, library, and court room. Bro. Cannon related how he felt when Garfield went back on him in his inaugural address and how the Lord's displeasure followed him. Capt. Hooper said Pres. Andrew Johnson was a friend to the Mormons still him and his family all went to the bad.

After dinner we walked over to the new department buildings and spent considerable time in looking around. I took my first view of the White House and cannot say I regard it very highly. I had a bath today in the Capitol. I must say I regard Washington as a very fine city.

Sunday, March 5, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

The day has been spent in looking about the city and I find some magnificent homes and nice grounds.

Monday, March 6, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

M. Thatcher left here at 9:30 p.m. for New York. In my brief acquaintance with him I have become very fond of him.

Wednesday, March 8, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

Senator Edmunds has the face of a Monkey and looks to me as if he would take the cats paw to put in the fire. I am not fully satisfied with the appearance of the Senate. They do not fill my anticipations as to fine looks, and while that body are much more dignified than the House the men themselves are no better looking. Members of the House are not up to my expectations. Today the Edmunds bill came up in the house and pending consideration of the same the House adjourned until 12 tomorrow.

Thursday, March 9, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

Bro. Cannon introduced J. I. Hart and myself to Speaker Kieffer and we presented to him the petitions of the people of Utah.

Mens petition signed by	12,278
Womens " "	15,001
Young men " "	13,035
Young women " "	<u>10,966</u>
Total	51,380

Bro. Cannon, Hart and myself made the matter of Congressional action in the Utah case a matter of fasting and prayer.

Saturday, March 11, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

Mr. Ainslie of Idaho took Bro. Hart and myself over to see the President and we were introduced to him as being both from Idaho. We shook hands and passed out into the large reception Hall and I guess the finest room in the United States. Chester A. Arthur is a large fine looking

man. From the White house Bro. Hart and Myself went to the Smithsonian Institute, the National Museum and the department of agriculture.

Monday, March 13, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

I presented the memorial of the Utah legislature to Congress to Speaker Keifer who presented them to the House. Mr. Haskell of Kansas called for Senate file 353 or more properly known as the Edmunds bill. Mr. Converse of Ohio made a point of order and which was just and right under the rules of the house.

[After discussion] The Speaker made a most dastardly ruling, both cowardly and Wicked. It was a strictly party vote, the democrats standing by law and order and the Republicans by misrule and misgovernment. It was a manly fight on the part of the democrats in the face of popular clamor. The democrats have resolved not to let the bill pass in its present form. What amendments they will secure is hard to tell, for the Republicans are bent on its going through just as it is. Today has been one of the most exciting of my life. The liberties of my people hanging on a thread and I powerless to do anything only sit and look on and ask the Lord to strengthen our friends and make them equal to the task.

Tuesday, March 14, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

10:30 a.m. the discussion of the Utah bill was resumed. I had made up my mind that the Republicans ment business and the democrats were begining to Weaken many of them. It was discussed pro & con for two hours, but no amendments were allowed. The yeas for the bill were 199. All the republicans, Independents and Greenbackers and some few democrats voted for the bill. 42 democrats voted no.

There are 51 who did not vote at all. The democrats who voted yea were opposed to the bill but their constituents had petitioned them to act and they could not in their judgement vote against the bill without ruining their chances for reelection.

The Republicans were filled with venom and were bent upon the acomplishment of their purpose. Haskell acted like a fiend, and I felt while he was talking down in front of the speakers desk, I should have been pleased to have been turned loose with him and fought in words or in a manly fight. God our father must judge these men for their evel design and doubt not he will do so in his own due time. I did not get excited or worried but felt I would like to fight it out with Mr. Haskell and the Republicans single and alone.

The work is done and all polygamists are disfranchised and turned out of office. Now we must wait and see whether persecution and all kinds of trickery is to follow this bill. Father thy will be done.¹³

¹³The Edmunds Act, which amended the Morrill Anti-bigamy Act of 1862, declared polygamy a felony, disfranchised polygamists, and held them ineligible for

Wednesday, March 15, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

Bro. Cannon says he is willing to fight out his question and he finds that some of his friends are willing to stand by him.

Thursday, March 16, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

Today a talk was had by Bros. Cannon, Hooper, Teasdel and myself about the organization of a state government and telegrams were sent to M. Thatcher to come on to Washington, and Capt. Hooper is to go on to Salt Lake City as soon as convenient.

Some of the democrats feel bad for our people that we are in a corner and that we cannot expect any quarter.

Thursday, March 23, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

We made it a day of fasting and prayer.

Friday, March 24, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

It is windy and cold. The Washington Post said this morning that President C. A. Arthur had signed the Edmunds bill.

I am feeling like the weather looks and that rather blue.

Thursday, March 30, 1882 - Washington, D.C.

We bought our tickets today \$26.00 each to Chicago.

Wednesday, April 5, 1882 - Salt Lake City

10 a.m. the C.F. [Council of Fifty] met and talked over minority representation and whether it should be put in the new constitution. This question was spoken upon by E. Snow, J. F. Smith, H. Stout, L. Farr, D. H. Wells, F. D. and F. S. Richards, B. F. Johnson, F. M. Lyman and A. M. Cannon and myself. It was given as the sense of the Council that no minority representation should be allowed.

It was also decided that nothing should be done or said in regard to plural marriage.

The Council adjourned until June 21st.

Saturday, April 8, 1882 - Salt Lake City

12 m. the Twelve met in Council. President J. F. Smith of the first Presidency, W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, D. H. Wells and myself. After balloting we unanimously decided to accept D. H. Wells and J. N. Smith as members of our quorum.

public office. A board of five commissioners (non-Mormons), known as the Utah Commission, was appointed by the president. They had power to supervise voter registration and elections and to certify election results. They introduced an oath requiring men to swear that they were not living with more than one woman in marriage, which eliminated thousands of Mormons from the rolls.

4 p.m. The Presidency and twelve met at Council and President W. Woodruff told Prest. Taylor that we were united on the men we wanted to fill our quorum. He said he was not prepared to act untill G. Q. Cannon came home and the matter was laid over.

Sunday, April 9, 1882 - Salt Lake City
[general conference]

President John Taylor spoke 20-30 minutes and made a failure, his talk was not wise nor given by the spirit of the Lord, if I could judge.

Thursday, April 13, 1882 - Salt Lake City

10 a.m. the Twelve met in Council. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young [Jr.], M. Thatcher, J. W. Young and myself. The question of missionary labor among the Indians was talked over and a vote taken that we would Educate some young Indians and then send them among their tribes to preach. We also decided to select some white men to take charge of Indian matters. We also decided to make a settlement somewhere in old Mexico.

Sunday, April 23, 1882 - Nephi, Juab County
[stake conference]

2 p.m. The people took a vote that they would not fellowship any man who sold liquor or who patronized outside saloons.

Four persons were cut off[f] from the Church and three were suspended.

Tuesday, April 25, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I went to the Convention at 10 a.m. and the committee adopted the Constitution, and the committee agreed to stand by their labor.

2 p.m. the Convention met and read the Constitution through the first time.¹⁴

Thursday, April 27, 1882 - Salt Lake City

The Constitutional Convention adopted the Constitution and adjourned untill June 6th, 2 p.m.

Thursday, May 4, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I got \$50.000 order from J. Jack. I paid Z.C.M.I. \$65.00.

I baptized my son Don Carlos and J. F. Smith confirmed him.

¹⁴The Constitutional Convention held in 1882 was one of several that met between 1856 and 1887 and produced constitutions for the hoped-for state. None of these efforts met with approval by the Congress. See Jerome H. Bernstein, "A History of the Constitutional Conventions of the Territory of Utah from 1849 to 1895," M.S. thesis, Utah State University, 1961.

Tuesday, May 9, 1882 - Provo

I went out to my land. Bro. Lyman and myself went to the spot where the asylum is being built. We are of the opinion that they are too close to the mountain.

Wednesday, May 17, 1882 - Salt Lake City

Presidents Taylor, Smith, Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, John Smith Patriarch, L. J. Nuttall and myself [met].

On motion Jeremiah Black of Philadelphia, Penn. was selected as attorney for the people of Utah in the coming fight between the Federal government and Utah.

Thursday, May 25, 1882 - Orderville, Kane County

I believe Bro. H. O. Spencer is getting tired of his labor in the United Order and others are getting dissatisfied but their business is a success thus far.

Wednesday, June 21, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I returned home at 10 a.m. having traveled by team 786 miles and by Rail 334, total 1,120.

10 a.m. C. of F. met and talked over political matters.

Thursday, June 22, 1882 - Salt Lake City

The C. of F. met at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and discussed the political situation. I moved to form a political party. E. Snow, J. F. Smith, W. H. Hooper, G. Q. Cannon, F. M. Lyman, H. Stout, A. M. Cannon, J. Taylor and myself spoke on the subject.

Friday, June 23, 1882 - Salt Lake City

Two meetings of the Council of F. were held and various subjects of interest to us at the present time were discussed.

Saturday, June 24, 1882 - Salt Lake City

The discussions of our election matters were continued today and some committees appointed.

Monday, June 26, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon at Prest. Taylor's office. 2 p.m. C. of F. met and admitted two new members, William Budge and C. W. Penrose. Prest. J. Taylor gave a revelation in regard to our course with our government.¹⁵

¹⁵A revelation to John Taylor dated June 25-26 stated that celestial (plural) marriage was available only to those who accepted the gospel. "You are not now sent to proclaim this principle to the United States, nor to the world, nor to urge it upon them," it explained. However, members of the church had a constitutional right to obey the

Tuesday, June 27, 1882 - Salt Lake City

The C. of F. met twice today and discussed various plans as bearing upon Election matters.

Bros. L. W. Hardy and H. B. Clawson were received members of this society. Two revelations were accepted as the word and will of God. They were given through President John Taylor, and in the same the Lord has promised to fight our battles for us.¹⁶

We adjourned subject to the call of the President.

Thursday, June 29, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I received an appointment to go to Juab, Sanpete, Sevier, and Emery Counties to look after Election matters.

Wednesday, July 19, 1882 - Salt Lake City

2 p.m. the Presidency and Twelve met in Council. Present: John Taylor, J. F. Smith, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, D. H. Wells, L. J. Nuttall, Bp. E. Hunter and myself. Prest. J. Taylor said in answer to the question, shall the saints kneel when the sacrament is being blest. He thought they had better not as it is inconvenient for large congregations to do so.

Thursday, July 27, 1882 - Ogden

Myself and Sarah went to Ogden. Father Farr is 62 years old today. His children presented him an easy chair, cost \$48.00.

In the evening about 60 relatives met and partook of a fine repast. A most enjoyable time was had.

Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I met with the following brethren in Council: J. F. Smith, W. Woodruff, E. Snow, B. Young, D. H. Wells, John Sharp, W. Jennings, R. F. Burton, J. R. Winder, F. D. Richards, F. S. Richards, C. W. Penrose, A.

celestial marriage law and they should contend for their rights "by every legal and constitutional method and in accordance with the institutions, laws, and Constitution of the United States." See Fred C. Collier, comp., *Unpublished Revelations of the Prophets and Presidents of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints* (Salt Lake City: Collier's Publishing Co., 1979), 129-32.

¹⁶ A revelation on the Kingdom of God in the last days given to John Taylor on June 27 stated: "And because, according to my eternal decrees, the free agency of man should be guaranteed to all men, I moved upon him [Joseph Smith] to introduce into my Kingdom certain parties not in my Church, for the purpose of exhibiting unto my Kingdom that I would still maintain the free agency of man, and that I hold inviolate that principle and will still maintain it to the end." None of these "parties," however, would be allowed to "break their covenants, violate their obligations, and reject me and my laws and authority, and seek to overthrow the Kingdom of God, and deprive my people who are contending for freedom, and who shall yet maintain it, of their agency and of my laws." See Collier, 135.

M. Musser, George Reynolds, and Charles Richards. A resolution was passed setting fourth that we would make a legal fight against the governor appointing men to office under the new law [the Edmunds Act].

Bro. E. Snow and son, myself and Son [George Albert] are on our way to Emery Co.

Thursday, Aug. 17, 1882 - Fairview, Sanpete Co.

The Liberals held a convention here yesterday and made selection of county officers.¹⁷

Friday, Aug. 18, 1882 - Mount Pleasant, Sanpete Co.

A telegram from J. F. Smith informed me the United States Commissioners had arrived and that Bro. G. Q. Cannon and my wife Sarah would come tomorrow morning.

Monday, Aug. 21, 1882 - Manti, Sanpete Co.

3 p.m. a Council was held and it was decided that J. B. Maiben should hold the title to the Temple Spring. It was also decided that the local corporations should hold their tithing houses.

Wednesday, Aug. 23, 1882 - Salt Lake City

Their was a Council of the brethren today to take in the situation and to talk over the same.

Friday, Aug. 25, 1882 - Salt Lake City

At 12 noon the brethren met in Council and the rules passed by the [Utah] Commission were discused. It is very evident that they have had to make some law.

Monday, Aug. 28, 1882 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and some of the Twelve and other brethren met and talked over the situation and it was decided that we would recommend to our brethren in office not to give up their offices to men appointed by the governor.

A Committee has been appointed to visit the Counties and put the political machinery in thorough condition.

Thursday, Aug. 31, 1882 - Provo

I went to Provo and called upon [Karl] G. Maeser. I paid the tuition of my son [George Albert] for the quarter [at Brigham Young Academy].

¹⁷The Liberal Party was formed in 1870 as a coalition of non-Mormons and former Mormons to field candidates in opposition to the Mormon People's Party.

Friday, Sept. 1, 1882 - Nephi, Juab County

Joel Grover and I made arrangements about election matters.

Saturday, Sept. 2, 1882 - Ephraim, Sanpete County

Bros. Canute Peterson, Henry Beal, James A. Allred and and myself went to Manti, where we met Franklin Spencer, G. W. Bean, Bishop Wright, J. B. Maiben and Bp. Read. We talked over the full political situation and agreed on a policy and went to work to carry it out. I scatered some of the Presidencys address and the Central Committee's Rules and the brethren scattered to their various fields.

I returned to Ephraim where I met Bro. George Farnsworth and he agreed to go to Castle Valley and take with him C. H. Wheelock and aid in putting that county in order for the elections and Registration.

Friday, Sept. 8, 1882 - Provo

I bought a dictionary, grammar, reader, and speller for my boy. I paid my taxes and got George some shoes.

Saturday, Sept. 9, 1882 - Salt Lake City

President B. Young's heirs are anxious to transfer the appointing power of directors of the B[righam]. Y[oung]. Academy at Provo to the Twelve.

Thursday, Sept. 14, 1882 - Salt Lake City

1 p.m. I attended court and heard arguments on the law granting the right of suffrage to the women.¹⁸

The judges have taken the matter under advisement.

Friday, Sept. 15, 1882 - Salt Lake City

Everything possible is taken to evade registering members of the peoples party at Ogden.

Saturday, Sept. 16, 1882 - Salt Lake City

Today Judges Hunter and Emerson decided in favor of the woman suffrage act.

Monday, Sept. 18, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I am thirty four years old today and I am in good health and spirits. My wives and children are all happy and well, and while our government is making exertions to bring trouble upon the saints all is well in Zion.

My wife Sarah gave me a gold collar button. My wife Josephine gave me Gaskels Compendium.

¹⁸Women had been granted the vote in Utah Territory in 1870. In 1882 this was challenged in the Third District Court. On September 16 the validity of the act was upheld and women continued to vote until passage of the Edmunds-Tucker Act in 1887.

I bought fifty steel engravings of my father, and will scatter them among the family.

Wednesday, Sept. 20, 1882 - Salt Lake City

[In a Quorum of the Twelve meeting] It was decided that Bro. F. M. Lyman and myself should visit the Goose Creek [Idaho] country. It was also decided that the Church should pay traveling expenses.

I received \$25.00 from James Jack on expense account.

Tuesday, Sept. 26, 1882 - Spring Basin, Cassia County, Idaho

We called upon Mr. Charles Cobb and talked over the political situation.

Tuesday, Oct. 3, 1882 - Salt Lake City

3 p.m. all of the first Presidency, and Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman and myself all of the twelve apostles [met].

President John Taylor gave us his views on the duties of the first Presidency and the duties of the Twelve and showed by statistics that it was the prerogative of the president of the church to select candidates for the apostleship, and the Council of the apostles to confirm. I beleive it is the twelve's right to confirm or reject.

I do not beleive in the doctrine that the president of the Church should select all candidates for civil office.

Thursday, Oct. 5, 1882 - Salt Lake City

The following members of the Twelve met in Council: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, D. H. Wells and myself. Letters from B. F. Johnson and A. F. MacDonald in regard to settlement in old Mexico. Bro. Johnson sent some names for us to call and by vote it was decided to present them to President Taylor to have them presented to the conference.

The Presidency and Twelve met and Bros Woodruff and E. Snow reported what the Twelve had done. President Taylor did not aprove of what we had done.

Friday, Oct. 6, 1882 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

7 p.m. Prests. John Taylor and George Q. Cannon were the speakers and they both held the doctrine of explicite obedience by the Latter-day saints in spiritual and temporal matters. I don't quite agree.

Sunday, Oct. 8, 1882 - Salt Lake City

12 noonday. The Twelve met in Council. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, D. H. Wells and myself.

A[braham]. H. Cannon and T. B. Lewis were chosen by unanimous vote to fill the vacancies in the Presidency of the Seventies.

Erastus Snow said that in the Kirtland Temple some of the brethren complained because Don C. Smith was chosen to preside over the High priests. The Prophet said my family have been chosen to preside over the quorums of the Priesthood.

Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1882 - Salt Lake City

10 a.m. the C. of F. met and read the minutes of former meetings and adjourned untill 2 p.m. Nothing done only to decide that E. Snow and M. Thatcher should go to Mexico.

Wednesday, Oct. 11, 1882 - Salt Lake City

10 a.m. the Presidency and Twelve met in Council. Present: John Taylor, G. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Wilford Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, L. J. Nuttall and myself were present. Many items were talked over and we were together untill after two O'clock. As soon as our meeting was over the C.F. met and were in session untill after 5 p.m. The delegateship was discussed and J. T. Caine was the choice of those present.

Thursday, Oct. 12, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I received a hint today from Prest. J. Taylor that I am to go on a mission. I was at the Presidents office all day. In the evening I was at the peoples party convention.

Friday, Oct. 13, 1882 - S. L. City

My wife Josephine is 25 years old today. I gave her a gold ring. I was at Prest. John Taylor office most of the day.

President Taylor presented a revelation he had received in which the Lord presented the names of George Teasdale and H[eber]. J. Grant to fill the vacancies in the quorum of the Twelve and S. B. Young to fill a vacancy in the Seventies. The revelation embodies some nice doctrinal points. [See November 24, 1882, entry for text of revelation.]

Their were present John Taylor, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, Wilford Woodruff, E. Snow, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, L. J. Nuttall, George Reynolds and myself and part of the time Lorenzo Snow.

I am not clear on one of these brethren proposed for position. Bro. Teasdale is distastefull to me in his sycophantic manner. H. J. Grant I love, but he should have the testimony of the truth, and he is physically ruined. S. B. Young is choice in every way, but on the doctrine of celestial marriage [plural marriage] I am afraid he is lame.

In the evening I attended the high Council meeting who were to pass upon the correctness of some doctrines and revelations to C. W. Stayner.

Prest. A. M. Cannon in my judgement got badly muddled and made some wild rulings. I would spank my boys for such lack of Justice and Judgement.

Saturday, Oct. 14, 1882 - Salt Lake City

10 a.m. The first Presidency and Twelve and Presidents of stakes had a meeting. G. Q. Cannon offered prayer.

George Reynolds read the new revelation to President Taylor upon the filling up of the quorum of the Twelve and first Presidency of the Seventy.

George Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, Prest. J. Taylor, Erastus Snow, L. Snow, M. Thatcher, B. Young, John Murdock and F. M. Lyman spoke on the doctrine of Celestial marriage, and also on the organization of a company to deal in wagons and machinery.

Monday, Oct. 16, 1882 - Salt Lake City

The following brethren met in council: John Taylor, George Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, George Teasdale, H. J. Grant, H. S. Eldredge, John Van Cott, W. W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon, S. B. Young, L. J. Nuttall, George Reynolds and myself. George Teasdale, H. J. Grant and S. B. Young accepted the places to which they had been called by revelation.

I am satisfied that before another President over our Church is sustained The Twelve apostles will be compeled to have an understanding in relation to the duties of their respective quorums. The first President takes the whole business in his hands.

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 1882 - Salt Lake City

10 a.m. The following named brethren met at the Twelves room at the Council house: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, George Teasdale, H. J. Grant, D. H. Wells, H. S. Eldridge, John Van Cott, W. W. Taylor, A. H. Cannon, S. B. Young and myself. The Indian mission was talked over, and several of the brethren expressed their views. A motion that the stakes have charge of the Indians in their jurisdiction was carried and men to take charge selected to be presented to the Presidency.

The question was asked what body of men composed the first quorum of Seventies. Our meeting held four hours.

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 1882 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and Twelve met in Council.

I was chosen to go to England to preside in that mission.

Thursday, Oct. 19, 1882 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah feels very badly about my going.

Sunday, Oct. 22, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I went to Kaysville and made arrangements with John S. Smith to take care of our sheep.

Monday, Oct. 23, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I turned my horses over to G.T.O. [General Tithing Office] and they allowed me \$150.00 for them. I gave my wife Sarah F. a ring today as a birthday present as I am going away.

Tuesday, Oct. 24, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I made arrangements with my mother to board my son for \$10.00 per month half merchandise and half on G.T.O. I also arranged with [Karl] G. Maeser to take G.T.O. orders for tuition.

I blest my son George Albert and gave him some fatherly instruction.

Wednesday, Oct. 25, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I bid my mother and son good bye for the present and returned to the City.

I went to Prest. Taylors office and received the following:

Blessing pronounced upon the head of Apostle John Henry Smith under the hands of Presidents John Taylor, George Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith. President J. Taylor was mouth.

Brother John Henry: In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and by virtue of the Holy Priesthood, we lay our hands upon thy head and set thee apart to go and preside over the European mission. And to this end, we pray that the spirit and power of thy mission may rest upon thee from this time forth; that the spirit of God may flow into thee, directing thee in all things pertaining to this mission and the interests thereof and pertaining to those over whom thou shalt preside, over all the Elders in that Country, that is, in England, in Scandinavia, in Germany, and in Switzerland, or wherever thy mission shall extend in that part of the world; that thou mayest be filled with the spirit and power of the Apostleship and be able to discern the spirits and actions of men, that thou mayest have wisdom given unto thee at all times to enable thee to act intelligently and carefully in managing all the affairs of thy mission; that thou mayest be as a father unto those over whom thou shalt preside. And seek unto God and obtain from Him revelation to direct thee in everything thou shalt engage in, that thou mayest have wisdom to direct and appoint men to those places in which they will be most serviceable and where their talents shall be most usefully employed, not only in England but in other parts of Europe wherein they shall labor; and pray that the spirit and

power of God may rest down upon thee at all times, that thou mayest be enabled to act intelligently in all thy doings.

And we say unto thee seek unto the Lord to enable thee to do whatever devolves upon thee, and thou shalt be blessed, and in the transaction of business, in making appointments, and in all matters pertaining to the interest of the Church and Kingdom of God in that part of the Lords vineyard, seek unto the Lord to know just what is best and what is calculated to benefit the people over whom thou shalt preside.

And we ask that thy health and strength may be adequate to the labors to be performed in this mission, that thy system may be preserved from disease, and that thou mayest be enabled to accomplish a good work even according to the desire of thy heart, and see the work of God roll forth in that part of the land where thou shalt preside.

And we say unto thee, go in peace, and God shall bless thee in thy journey upon land and across the Ocean, and in thy labors in that part of the world, and thou shalt return, after accomplishing a good work, to the bosom of thy family and to the association of the Saints.

We seal upon thee all of these blessings and set thee apart to this mission, and ask that the spirit and power of God may rest down upon thee from this time forth. We seal all these blessings upon thy head by virtue of the Holy Priesthood and Apostleship in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

Thursday, Oct. 26, 1882 - Salt Lake City

My wives made me a present of a pair of sleeve buttons and a stud.

Friday, Oct. 27, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I received from James Jack one hundred dollars for expenses. I have a pass over the Union Pacific.

Presidents office Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

S. L. City U. T. Oct. 26

Instructions for President John Henry Smith.

Dear Brother,

You are hereby appointed and authorized to proceed to Liverpool, England, to relieve President Albert Carrington in the Presidency of the European Mission and all other missions connected therewith, and to take full charge, oversight and presidency thereof in his stead, and to direct, counsel and advise in regard to all persons and affairs connected with said Presidency in such manner as your judgement, the Holy Spirit and advice from us, from time to time, may direct for the salvation of the human family, the gathering of Israel and the upbuilding of the Kingdom of God.

That you may be abundantly blessed in all your efforts to do good, magnify your calling, honor our God, and be generally instrumental in spreading this work upon the earth, is the prayer of your Brethren in the gospel.

John Taylor, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith

First Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Saturday, Oct. 28, 1882 - Salt Lake City

I bid my family good bye and William Groesbeck and myself left for our missions to Europe.

Thursday, Nov. 2, 1882 - New York City

I found Bro. Jas. H. Hart and made some calls. I Bot pantaloons for myself. Paid \$4.25. My expenses to this place have been \$35.00.

5 p.m. I took steamer for Boston.

Friday, Nov. 3, 1882 - Boston

I left here for Whitefield, N.H. and reached that place at 5:30 p.m. and stayed with my Uncle Webster Libbey.

Saturday, Nov. 4, 1882 - Whitefield, New Hampshire

Weather fine. I visited my Uncles Charles, John, George, N. Webster and Henry and their wives. I also saw the family of my Uncle Colby.

They all seemed pleased to see me and treated me kindly. 2 p.m. I bid them all good bye and returned to Boston and put up at the United States Hotel.

Monday, Nov. 6, 1882 - New York City

I had a pleasant trip and returned all right. Found William Groesbeck, Orson Arnold and James Clinton at the Grand Central Hotel where I also put up. I visited Richard Young on Governors Island and took dinner.

I went to the theatre. It was a good play.

Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1882 - New York City

Bro. James H. Hart got a free ticket for me across the Ocean. I paid hotel bill \$4.50. 2 p.m. we went on board of the Steamship Abyssinia. Bros. J. H. Hart, O. C. Arnold, James Clinton, and Richard Young went on board with us. We bid good bye to our friends and moved out into the river.

Wednesday, Nov. 8, 1882 - At Sea

Wind dead ahead. We are 219 miles out at sea, and William and Myself are both sea sick.

Saturday, Nov. 11, 1882 - At Sea

Wind more Wind. 190 miles made in 24 hours. We got on deck a little while today.

Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1882 - Atlantic Ocean

Our run is 294 miles for the last 24 hours. William Groesbeck and myself are both well.

Saturday, Nov. 18, 1882 - Atlantic Ocean

The day is foggy and we are moving cautiously as we are nearing the Irish coast. We arrived at Queenstown in the evening having made a run of 356 miles. The mails were landed, and we moved on.

Sunday, Nov. 19, 1882 - Irish Sea and Liverpool

Heavy wind and we were compeled to stop at the bay and wait for high tide. On our arrival in the River Mersey we were met by Bros. O[rson]. F. Whitney, R. R. Anderson, Charles and George C. Lambert. We passed through the custom House without trouble and went at once to 42 where we met Bro. A[lbert]. Carrington who treated us kindly.

Tuesday, Nov. 21, 1882 - Liverpool

Bro. A. Carrington and myself spent the entire day talking over the affairs of the mission.

Wednesday, Nov. 22, 1882 - Liverpool

I spent the day reading in the church works. I was measured for a suit of clothes. I bought two nice silk handkerchiefs for my wives. They cost 7 shillings.

Thursday, Nov. 23, 1882 - Liverpool

I went to Manchester by the 10 a.m. train. The conference house is 2 Gay Street, off Gt. Jackson St. I met Bro. Emmett and visited with him until Ben E. Rich came in. We had a good time. He looks the best in health I ever saw him. I never saw a man feel better in my life. I gave Ben 20 shillings. I returned to Liverpool.

Friday, Nov. 24, 1882 - Liverpool

I received a letter from my wife Josephine written Nov. 5. All were pretty well at that time. I also received a letter from my son George Albert with a gem picture. I received a copy of the following revelation.

Revelation given through President John Taylor,
at Salt Lake City, Utah Territory, Oct. 13th 1882.

Thus saith the Lord to the Twelve, and to the priesthood and people of my church: Let my servants George Teasdale and Heber J. Grant be appointed to fill the vacancies in the Twelve, that you may be fully organized and prepared for the Labors devolving upon you, for you have a great work to perform, and then proceed to fill up the presiding quorum of Seventies, and assist in organizing that body of my priesthood who are your co-laborers in the ministry. You may appoint Seymour B. Young to fill up the vacancy in the presiding quorum of seventies, if he will conform to my

law; for it is not meet that men who will not abide by law shall preside over my priesthood; and then proceed forthwith and call to your aid any assistance that you may require from among the seventies to assist you in your labors in introducing and maintaining the gospel among the Lamanites throughout the land. And then let High Priests be selected, under the direction of the first Presidency, to preside over the various organizations that shall exist among this people; that those who receive the Gospel may be taught in the doctrines of my church, and in the ordinances and law thereof; and also in the things pertaining to my Zion and my Kingdom, saith the Lord, that they may be one with you in my church and my Kingdom.

Let the Presidency of my church be one in all things; and let the Twelve also be one in all things; and let them all be one with me as I am one with the Father.

And let the High Priests organize themselves and purify themselves, and prepare themselves for this labor, and for all other labors that they may be called upon to fulfil.

And let the Presidents of Stakes also purify themselves, and the priesthood and people of the Stakes over which they preside, and organize the priesthood in their various Stakes according to my law in all the various departments thereof, in the High Councils, in the Elders quorums, and in the Bishops and their councils, and in the quorum of Priests, Teachers and Deacons, that every quorum may be fully organized according to the order of my church; and then let them inquire into the standing and fellowship of all that hold my holy priesthood in their several stakes; and if they find those that are unworthy let them remove them, except they repent; for my priesthood, whom I have called and whom I have sustained and honored, shall honor me and obey my laws, and the laws of my holy priesthood or they shall not be considered worthy to hold my priesthood, saith the Lord. And let my priesthood humble themselves before me, and seek not their own will but my will; for if my priesthood, whom I have chosen, and called, and endowed with the spirit and gifts of their several callings, and with the powers thereof do not acknowledge me I will not acknowledge them, saith the Lord, for I will be honored and obeyed by my priesthood.

And, then, I call upon my priesthood, and upon all my people, to repent of all their sins and shortcomings, of their covetousness and pride and selfwill, and of all their iniquities wherein they sin against me; and to seek with all humility to fulfil my law, as my priesthood, my saints, and my people, and I call upon the heads of families to put their houses in order according to the law of God, and attend to the various duties and responsibilities associated therewith, and to purify themselves before me, and to purge out iniquity from their households.

And I will bless and be with you, Saith the Lord, and ye shall gather together in your holy places wherein ye assemble to call upon me, and ye shall ask for such things as are right, and I will hear your prayers, and my

spirit and power shall be with you, and my blessing shall rest upon you, upon your families, your dwellings, and your households, upon your flocks and herds and fields, your orchards and vineyards, and upon all that pertain to you, and you shall be my people and I will be your God and your enemies shall not have dominion over you, for I will preserve you and confound them, saith the Lord, and they shall not have power nor dominion over you; for my word shall go forth, and my work shall be accomplished; and my Zion shall be established, and my rule and my power and my dominion shall prevail among my people, and all nations shall yet acknowledge me, Even So amen.

Saturday, Nov. 25, 1882 - Liverpool

We Went with Bro. A. Carrington on board of the Abyssinia and saw him comfortably fixed. We bid him good by and returned to 42.

Bishop O. F. Whitney is full of faith and good work. Bro. R. R. Anderson is filled with a spirit of fault finding and criticism.

I bought myself a hat to day and paid 15-6 for it.

Sunday, Nov. 26, 1882 - Liverpool

It rained like wrath this morning.

Bp. O. F. Whitney, William Groesbeck and some of the saints and myself went to Warrington to hold a district meeting in the Cooperative Hall.

I spoke for fifty minutes and enjoyed the spirit of the Lord in rich abundance.

About one hundred strangers attended our meeting during the afternoon and evening. We returned to Liverpool at 9 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 27, 1882 - Liverpool

Raining as usual.

I was busy answering letters and looking into business matters.

R. R. Anderson is acting very queer. He has never prayed in the family or returned thanks for his food, but he does kneel down in secret prayer. He has an idea that when a man prays in public he is a hypocrit and is in danger of apostacy. He feels very unhappy because I desire him to take part in the family and said he wished me to get another book keeper as soon as I could as he is not in harmony with my wishes in regard to that duty of prayer. He is nervous and acts like a mad man. He is a monomaniac on the subject of the faults of his brethren.

Tuesday, Nov. 28, 1882 - Liverpool

I received letters from George Reynolds, J. A. West and Charles Reynolds who desire to go home, being discouraged and homesick. O. F. Whitney, R. R. Anderson, W. Groesbeck and myself went to the Alexandria Theatre to see Edwin Booth play Hamlet. It was very fine.

Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1882 - Liverpool

I received a letter from Robert McLean and answered it at once about the Emigration of a sister, I advised her not to go untill some of the Elders were returning home, or a company going in the spring.

I paid £5-18.6 for a suit of clothes out of office money.

Thursday, Nov. 30, 1882 - Liverpool

I sent a necktie to each of my wives.

I received letters from H. J. Richards and J. T. D. McAllister. I wrote to J. A. West and to Bro. Wilford Woodruff. I told him that the slander[s] about Bro. Carrington were founded on indiscretions and not on Criminal acts But that Charles Felt could tell him what had occurred. [See entry for December 10, 1882.]

Sunday, Dec. 3, 1882 - Birmingham

I am back again in the old field among my English friends.

We held three meetings in Hockley chapel. There were present of the valley Elders O. F. Whitney, Charles and George C. Lambert, Robert Ure, A. Bailey, G. Sharp, William H. Wright, Thomas Tew, Samuel R. Weston, Timothy Gilbert, William Groesbeck and myself, all of whom took part in the days services. Quite a number of strangers were in attendance. I shook hands with many old friends.

Thursday, Dec. 7, 1882 - Liverpool

Cold and stormy, ground covered with snow. I wrote a long letter to President John Taylor. I also wrote to George Reynolds, J. A. West, Alfred Alder and Ben E. Rich. I sent some handkerchiefs and other little things to my children. I have been very busy. I have fixed Jan. 14 for the conference at Manchester.

Friday, Dec. 8, 1882 - Liverpool

Stormy.

I have been worried about James Purdee, a young man that works in the office. He seems to feel sneaking. I was reading and writting some today. My eyes failed me being over worked.

Saturday, Dec. 9, 1882 - Liverpool

Raining.

James Purdee burglarized the house last night by prying off a board at the back door and coming in after hours. It also turns out that he has tried to get with the hired girl Jane, I am afraid he is a bad lot, but I must try to save him. I called James Purdee into the office and talked to him about his doings. He cried and said he would be better but I have but little faith.

Tonight I bought a pair of cuffs, a pair of gloves, two neckties, 9 shillings and two pence.

Sunday, Dec. 10, 1882 - Liverpool

Cold.

Bro. O. F. Whitney and I went to Blackburn and held three meetings in the Cooperative Hall. Bros. Parkinson, Tanner, Perry, Wilson, Leyland and Graham were all present and took part in the meetings. The people gave us the cold shoulder. There were but three strangers in the morning 6 in the afternoon and 4 in the evening. Quite a number of the saints were present and we had good meetings.

We returned to Liverpool. Bro. Whitney and myself made a day of fasting of this.

Bro. R. R. Anderson says that Bro. A. Carrington cannot get within the neighborhood of a woman without fondling her and that the Housekeeper was petted and fondled by him, and familiarities taken that brought disgrace upon the house until the people across the way had threatened to mob the house. Bro. O. F. Whitney said he took her to London and that she just lorded it over every lady in the House. R. R. Anderson had warned the present Housekeeper against Bro. Carrington. It was reported that the people over the way saw him laying upon her in the prayer room. The one that is gone to Utah.

Monday, Dec. 11, 1882 - Liverpool

It is very cold. I was reading and writing part of the day. I received letters from Josephine dated Dec. [November?] 26th. All were well at home. I also received a letter from Prest. Jos. F. Smith in which he gave me the information that James Urie had been drunk all the way across the plains and had disgraced the whole church by his exhibitions while traveling.

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 1882 - Liverpool

It is still very cold.

I was reading the papers from home. I wrote letters to David McKay telling him to watch *Urie*.

I wrote to Prest. J. F. Smith about *Urie* and told him of Robert R. Andersons condition, and his belief in regard to prayer, also about the condition of James Purdee our printing office boy.

Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1882 - Liverpool

It is snowing and foggy.

I wrote letters to Edwin Eyre, J. A. West, Ben E. Rich and Joseph A. A. Bunot. I also drafted a letter to be sent to all of the Presidents of conferences asking for information in regard to the baptisms for the year 1882, the number of first Baptisms and what proportion are the children of the saints, and what proportion of New Converts and also the number of rebaptisms.

Saturday, Dec. 16, 1882 - Liverpool

Rainy and foggy. I spent most of the day reading.

Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1882 - Liverpool

Some rain and fogg.

I wrote to P. F. Goss, the President of the Swiss mission and gave him instruction in regard to administering the ordinances, also in regard to Emigration, and items in regard to the expenses of the Elders.

We received some Salt Lake papers today.

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1882 - Liverpool

Foggy. I spent the day reading the scriptures.

Thursday, Dec. 21, 1882 - Liverpool

The sun was shining for a half hour today. I received letters from D. McKay and C. Sharp. The latter says he will stay until spring. I wrote to Bro. D. McKay.

Bro. Whitney and myself went to Birkenhead and held meeting with the saints. A few strangers were present. We both spoke and the spirit of the Lord was with us.

Saturday, Dec. 23, 1882 - Liverpool

Jane Pond, a hired girl in 42, made a confession this morning that James Purdee and herself had been guilty of fornication. He admitted the same thing. They commenced feeling of one another in September and have kept this up from time to time until the night of Nov. 18th when they had sexual intercourse and they have done the same thing three or four times since. I have their written statements signed and witnessed.

Monday, Dec. 25, 1882 - Liverpool

Rainy and foggy.

I was busy all day over the trouble in the house. R. R. Anderson insulted me most shamefully. I threatened him with personal violence and was on the eve of administering it, but the Lord gave me power to hold myself and I asked Anderson's pardon for loosing my temper with him. Bro. G. Parkinson witnessed this affair. Anderson gave no evidence of a desire to make right with me for the language he had used. I cannot bear his insults and slurs anymore.

Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1882 - Liverpool

It is very foggy today.

I wrote to Joseph F. Smith and told him plainly my feelings in regard to R. R. Anderson, that he is honest in money matter[s] and free from Women, but that he was in the gall of bitterness, and in the bonds of doubt and fear.

Jane Pond told me this morning that Mary J. Nowlan told her that she found Bro. Carrington laying on the lounge and Sarah Kirkman lying on top of him. On board of one of Guions steamers in the cabin and in the presence of G. Ramsden and Moroni Brown and others Sarah Kirkman put her arms around Bro. Carringtons neck and laid her head upon his bosom.

He took this same woman to London paying her way, and they were gone 9 days. She stoped in the prayer room evenings and they drank beer and had good times together. She bit his nose untill it was red for several days. They played on the floor like children and he kissed and cuddled her. He gave her his bed and slept upon the lounge when their were plenty of beds in the house, and when he was wanted he could not be found although he was in the House. These last statements were given me by R. R. A. and must be taken with a grain of allowance.

Bros. Anderson, Parkinson, Whitney and myself came to the conclusion that Jane Pond better go home.

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1882 - Liverpool

Rainy.

I have written the stories told about Bro. Carrington to President Taylor.

James Purdee and Jane Pond confessed their Sin to the Presidency of this branch and were forgiven.

Friday, Dec. 29, 1882 - Liverpool and Glasgow

Arrangements are made for Bro. Reynolds, Smuthwaite and Jane Pond to go on Saturday to the Valley.

1:45 p.m. Ben E. Rich and myself left Liverpool for Glasgow where we arrived at 8 p.m. and were met by Bro. David McKay and other brethren. We walked to Rutherglen Road 702 and put up with Bro. Wilson.

It rained very hard here in Scotland.

Saturday, Dec. 30, 1882 - Glasgow

Stormy and foggy.

I rested very well. The brethren laboring in the Glasgow conference came in to the Conference house and we spent some time covering over matters in the mission untill noon.

During the afternoon we visited one of the Parks and the museum and looked about town.

At 6 p.m. we met with the brethren in Counsel and the Lord was with us in power and we had a most enjoyable time. The brethren laboring here are David McKay, Jos. W. McMurrin, David Burnett, John Penman, David W. Tullis, James Meikle, Robrt Hunter, John McQuarrie and John Crawford. James Urie has failed to put in an appearance. Bro. David Burnett is quite unwell.

Sunday, Dec. 31, 1882 - Glasgow

Rainy and foggy.

10 a.m. we held meeting at No. 8 Watson street. All of the Elders from Utah laboring in Scotland reported their districts and all seemed very well satisfied with their labor. I spoke a few moments and read the 31st Chapter of Proverbs.

6 p.m. We again met in the hall.

Bro. David Burnett spoke 30 minutes on various subjects and I spoke upon the history of Joseph Smith for one hour and ten minutes. Bro. McKay spoke a few minutes. I closed by blessing the saints.

Drunkenness and sexual sins are the prevalent crimes of Scotland.

The Lord was with [us] by his spirit today and the Elders were filled with testimony.

The Saints say it was the best conference ever held in Glasgow. The Lord be blessed for his manifestations of power.

During the year 1882 I served about forty days in the Territorial Legislature. I spent one month in the City of Washington with G. Q. Cannon, M. Thatcher, W. W. Hooper and John Irvine and was present in the House of Representatives when the Edmunds Bill passed. I have attended meetings in Cache, Box Elder, Weber, Davis, Salt Lake, Tooele, Utah, Juab, Sanpete, Emery, Piute, Garfield, Kane, Wasatch, and Beaver Counties in the Utah Territory. Also in Cassia Co. Idaho. I have held meetings in Birmingham, Liverpool, Warrington, Blackburn, and Glasgow in the British [Isles], having traveled by team, railway, and steam boat over seventeen thousand miles and this in my ministry as a servant of the Lord. I have been most happy in this labor, feeling I have striven to do my duty to my people and to the Lord. I accompanied Mr. Phillips Robinson through southern Utah to Orderville when he was laboring in the interest of the New York World [newspaper]. I have attended meetings for very nearly every day in the year.

Prest. J. Taylor has received three revelations. George Teasdale and H. J. Grant were chosen into the quorum of the Twelve by revelation.

Utah has prospered financially and good peace prevails.

The Utah Commission did its work. And J. T. Caine was elected by an overwhelming majority [as delegate to Congress]. The polygamists did not vote.

Monday, Jan. 1, 1883 - Glasgow

At this time I am happy and well and I feel that the Lord has been good to me.

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1883 - Glasgow

The Sun is shining this morning.

The brethren met me at 10 a.m. and we held a little meeting and I spoke to them, and we had a most glorious time. The Lord met with us by his spirit and great power was manifest, and all were most happy.

Wednesday, Jan. 3, 1883 - Liverpool

Rainy. I was busy all day with letters and papers.

Thursday, Jan. 4, 1883 - Liverpool

Cold and smoky.

I wrote letters to Sarah and Josephine and Aunt Lucy.

I received letters from P. F. Goss from Switzerland and P. J. Lammers in Holland. Sister Charles Lambert is coming to stop with us for a month.

Saturday, Jan. 6, 1883 - Liverpool and London

Rainy and foggy part of the day. I saw the sun for a longer time today than at any one time since I have been here. I spent the forenoon reading.

12 noon Bro. Whitney and myself left Liverpool for London where we arrived at 5:30 p.m. Distance 220 miles. We were met at the station by Bros. Jos. A. West and William Kind and taken to Sister Godfreys. Bros. G. C. Lambert, L. Clawson, Bench and Evans called upon us. We spent a very pleasant evening.

Sunday, Jan. 7, 1883 - London

The Saints met at their Hall in New Road and all of the Elders met being 13 who are serving in this conference. They reported their labors. A few of the saints were present. At 2:30 p.m. there was a good attendance and Bro. Whitney spoke for one hour and ten minutes. A good spirit prevailed.

Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1883 - London

Cold and Smoky.

We attended a meeting of the saints at 143 Albany Street and I spoke one hour and 15 minutes. Bro. Whitney bore testimony. About 12:30 p.m. went to bed.

Wednesday, Jan. 10, 1883 - London

Bro. J. A. West and myself visited the British Museum and the National Art Gallery. We called at the American exchange and Registered and we visited Westminster Abbey. I enjoyed myself very much. I looked over J. A. West's accounts. Bro. Whitney saw what is claimed to be the missing link, a mixture of human and animal.

Bros. Whitney, West, and myself attended a meeting at Deptford and all three of us spoke. A good spirit prevailed.

Thursday, Jan. 11, 1883 - London

Foggy and Smoky.

Today Bro. Whitney and myself visited the Tower and saw the Regalia of England, the value of which is about £3 1/2 million or over seventeen million dollars. It had much better be used to create industrial pursuits for the poor to obtain labor than lying idle in its present shape. The crown of the queen alone is worth one million £ or five million dollars. We visited various places of interest and as we gazed upon various historical relics with thought of the barbarities of the past. It made our blood curdle.

Friday, Jan. 12, 1883 - London and Liverpool

At 10:10 a.m. Bros. O. F. Whitney, George C. Lambert and myself bid Bros. J. A. West and W. King good bye and left for Liverpool. We made the run in five hours, and found all well at 42. I wrote to Ben E. Rich and looked over the papers.

Saturday, Jan. 13, 1883 - Liverpool

Cold and raining.

I received from both of my wives letters and all were well at home Dec. 27th.

I received a letter from P. Louba at Paris praying for relief. I told R. R. Anderson to send him 10 shillings to pay his fare to Bern.

Sunday, January 14, 1883 - Liverpool and Manchester

The weather is pleasant for foggy England.

Bro. O. F. Whitney and myself went to Manchester to attend the district meeting. We were met by Ben E. Rich and taken to the Cleaveland Assembly Rooms.

Meeting commenced at 10 a.m. All of the traveling Elders spoke during the forenoon meeting and I spoke for a few minutes. Bro. Wilde from Leeds Conference was here.

2 p.m. meeting again. Bro. Wilde spoke first, after which Bro. Whitney spoke one hour and 15 minutes on the first principals of the Gospel. Quite a number of strangers were present.

6 p.m. the room was full. Prayer by Bro. Whitney. Bro. B. E. Rich spoke 25 minutes on the first principals of the gospel. I spoke upon the history of Joseph Smith and also upon the baptism for the dead and also upon the doctrine of plural marriage, stating that we do not teach that principal in England as it is contrary to the law. I was asked to quote the scripture to sustain me and I answered Rohoboam had several wives and three score concubines. The Voice again called out for a passage from the New Testament. I answered that Christ the son of God was descended [from] that old polygamist David. Seeing that the party was simply trying to make a disturbance I requested the brethren to put him outdoors. As he went he said I was

preaching against the English and American government. I retorted I respect the English government and that I loved my own as the apple of my eye. The Congregation seemed to be in sympathy with me. I bore my testimony and then B. E. Rich got up and told the people that he was born of polygamist parents and had always been taught to behave himself when in meeting and bore his testimony to the truth of that principal. I closed with prayer.

Monday, Jan. 15, 1883 - Manchester

I met with the Elders and gave them some instruction in regard to their duties, explained to them how to confirm and confer the priesthood and how to ordain and set apart. I warned them against women and to be always upon their guard.

Saturday, Jan. 20, 1883 - Nottingham

Bro. O. F. Whitney and myself went to Nottingham. We were met at the station by Bro. Edwin Eyre and from there we went to Newsted with the intention of visiting the home of Lord Byron, but it was closed and we returned to Hucknall and visited the old church where Lord Byron is buried. The church is an old structure, having one Tower, is about 30 by 45 feet and is a low squatty building. It stands at one end of a cemetery that is well filled with graves. There is probably four acres of ground inside the Inclosure. The Byrons once owned the Country about four miles, but it has passed into other hands. We returned to Nottingham.

Sunday, Jan. 21, 1883 - Nottingham

10:30 a.m. we went to meeting. There were present of the Elders from Utah Edwin Eyre, Edwin Spencer, Ephraim H. Williams, William Wagstaff, John A. Sutton, James D. Hurst, Ephraim Green, John C. Reader, John Williams. All of these brethren labor in the Nottingham Conference. Bro. Franklin B. Woolley and Benjamin Bennett of the Sheffield Conference, Bro. Whitney and myself were present.

All of the brethren of this conference spoke and I talked to the saints for a few minutes.

The spirits of some of the Elders is not good.

Monday, Jan. 22, 1883 - Nottingham

We called the brethren from home all together and gave them such instructions in regard to their duties as the spirit suggested. I think they all feel encouraged to press forward.

Friday, Jan. 26, 1883 - Liverpool

During the night the wind blew fearfully bad. The house shook like an aspen leaf in the wind.

This morning I received letter from P. F. Goss in which was letters from Alexander Newberger and Ward E. Pack Jr. It seems there is trouble between these two brethren, President Goss and Hafen.

Sunday, Jan. 28, 1883 - Sunderland

Sunderland is located on the banks of the River Wear and has a population of over two hundred thousand people. The Principal business of the Town is the building of Iron ships.

At 10 a.m. our Conference commenced in the Nile street Assembly Hall. The Presidents of branches reported and I spoke to the saints 30 minutes.

6 p.m. The speakers were H. W. Manning, C. Weatherston and myself. There was a fair attendance of people. I felt well in speaking. After meeting Mr. Joseph Rutlege of Ryhope Collieries near Sunderland invited me home with him. He took me in his carriage about four miles out from Sunderland. Mr. Rutledge and wife gathered to the Valley and then returned to England. They claimed no membership in the Church, but they are nice people. I spent a pleasant evening and they treated me with the greatest kindness.

Monday, Jan. 29, 1883 - Ryhope, near Sunderland

It blew very hard during the night and rained heavily. The country is flooded. Mr. Rutledge gave me a sovereign and sent me in his carriage to the Railroad station. My stay was pleasant and I enjoyed myself very much. I returned to Sunderland and visited the docks. I gave the brethren some instruction and at 1:30 p.m. left for Liverpool where I arrived at 8:45 p.m. Found all well. I received letters from both of my wives and all is well.

Thursday, Feb. 1, 1883 - Liverpool

This evening I received a letter from William Groesbeck. He says his wife is sick and he wants to go home.

Friday, Feb. 2, 1883 - Liverpool

I received a letter from Bro. C. Sharp in regard [to] aiding Bro. Gittins to Emigrate to the Valley. I answered the same and told him I had no means. I answered William Groesbeck's letter, and advised him to stick to his labors like a man. I am reading Mosheim's Ecclesiastical History Ancient and Modern.

Saturday, Feb. 3, 1883 - Liverpool

I spent a good share of the day reading. I have been bothered for several days with an improper circulation of blood in my hips and back. Today I took a turkish bath. I am in hopes it will bring me out.

Sunday, Feb. 4, 1883 - Liverpool

Cold.

I feel better this morning than I have done for several days.

11 a.m. the saints met and we had a testimony, enjoying ourselves very much.

6:30 p.m. we met with the saints. I spoke 50 minutes. I did the talking and the Lord left me, I was dry and wearisome.

Tuesday, Feb. 6, 1883 - Liverpool

I received a letter from H. J. Grant. He said my buggy was sold for \$250.00 and 1 per cent per month was to be paid for the money.

I sent my wives a pair of gloves each done up in a newspaper.

Friday, Feb. 9, 1883 - Liverpool

It is a beautiful day, all nature seems refreshed by the glorious sunshine, and the heart leaps for joy at the pleasing change. And the thought that the fogs and mists are dispelled for a day makes us live again in the hope of a happy enjoyment with those we love.

Saturday, Feb. 10, 1883 - Liverpool

I have been reading Mosheims Ecclesiastical History.

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1883 - Liverpool

This evening R. R. Anderson insulted Sister Lambert while we were at the table, and George C. Lambert called Anderson a papy and told him he would crack his crust if he did continue his nonsense.

Wednesday, Feb. 14, 1883 - Liverpool

I wrote to P. F. Goss and did some reading but my eyes failed me.

Bro. G. C. Lambert made Bro. R. R. Anderson promise to ask Sister Lambert's pardon.

Thursday, Feb. 15, 1883 - Liverpool

This evening at supper Bro. R. R. Anderson made an apology to Sister Lambert for his insulting remarks. She forgave him.

Wednesday, Feb. 21, 1883 - Liverpool

It is a very fine day, the sun shining brightly. It seems like spring.

I was reading some during the day. I am trying to learn some scripture by heart.

Monday, Feb. 26 - Liverpool

I had the brethren together that are laboring in the Liverpool conference and gave them such instructions as the spirit brought forth.

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1883 - Liverpool

I spent most of the day reading the life of Joseph Smith.

We went to meeting this evening and testified to the truth of the Gospel.

Saturday, March 3, 1883 - Liverpool and South Wales.

Myself, G. C. Parkinson and Ben E. Rich went to South Wales together, distance 165 miles. Bro. David Lewis met us at the station. It was a beautifull day.

Sunday, March 4, 1883 - Merthyr Tydfil, South Wales

It is a most beautifull day. We stoped at Sister Harmons. Elder Daniel Davis cannot come owing to sickness. Elders David Lewis, Reese, Jenkins, Perkins, Rich, Parkinson and myself attend[ed] meeting at the saints meeting room at the Railway Inn. Bros. Alford, Alder & Green from Bristol were also present.

Monday, March 5, 1883 - Merthyr Tydfil, South Wales

The Elders met together and we spoke to each other. I gave some instructions on our duties in the Priesthood and warned the brethren against evils of various kinds. We had a good time together. Bros. Alder and Green returned to Bristol.

In the evening we walked to *Cefn* and held meeting in the Temperance Hall. It was well filled with people, and the audience were quiet. Bro. Rich and myself spoke and we enjoyed good liberty. After meeting we returned to Merthyr.

Wednesday, March 7, 1883 - Liverpool

[On return to Liverpool] I found letters from Presidents Taylor, Cannon and Woodruff, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, my sister Mary A. Wimmer, both of my wives and children and one from J. A. West containing a doctors certificate that his condition was bad. Their were several other business letters. I wrote to Jos. A. West and made an appointment to hold conference on April the 15th. I suffered with cold today. Bro. G. C. Lambert gave me a vapor bath. I feel well satisfied with my trip to Wales.

Saturday, March 10, 1883 - Liverpool and Sheffield

I wrote letters to Bro. Woodruff and also my son George. Bro. G. C. Lambert is getting ready to go to Sheffield with me. At 2 p.m. we left Liverpool and arrived at Sheffield 4:10 p.m. and we were met by Bro. Franklyn B. Woolley and taken to Bro. Lovatts where we met Bros. Joseph Greaves, Hyrum Dewsnip and George Croft. We spent a pleasant afternoon and evening. A heavy snow has fallen in this section of the country and it is quite cold.

Sunday, March 11, 1883 - Sheffield, Yorkshire

It is very cold and slippery, but it is inclined to thaw. We held three meetings in the Hall of Science. The morning meeting was addressed by the presidents of branches and Bro. Greaves, Dewsnip, Croft, and myself.

The afternoon Bros. F. B. Woolley and G. C. Lambert did the

speaking, and in the evening I spoke one hour and forty minutes. A few strangers attended our meeting during the day.

Bro. Lambert and myself fasted during the day.

Monday, March 19, 1883 - Liverpool

Bro. Lambert and myself visited the Anatomical Museum of Liverpool. It shows the effects of venereal diseases upon the parents also upon children born of diseased parents. It also shows the frightful effects of masturbation on both men and women. We saw models life size of women in all stages of pregnancy. One case was that of a woman with twins, one white and the other black. Another frightful thing was a man with child supposed to be a twin, and to have been born in him. The fearful effects of vaccination where bad vaccine was used. The bad effects of tight lacing was also shown. We saw the Florantine model of Louise Lateau, born in Belgium. She bleeds from the same parts of the body our saviour did.

Friday, March 23, 1883 - Liverpool

The sun is shining brightly but it is cold. Being good Friday, it is a Holiday.

Bros. Anderson, Lambert, and I attended a service at the Cathedral. It is as good as a show. The sermon upon the death of the Saviour was good. In the evening Bros. Lambert, Bennett and Anderson and I went to the prince of Wales Theatre and heard the singing of sacred music.

Monday, March 26, 1883 - [on train from Leeds to Liverpool]

In the compartment I rode in were eight other men, all English and respectable appearing. I found them well informed but from their talk rather immoral. One of them said that no longer than the night before he had had sexual intercourse with his neighbor's wife and that he always took his satisfaction out of women when they would permit him to do so. I told him he ought to have his throat cut for his vileness.

Wednesday, March 28, 1883 - Liverpool

It is a beautiful day. I answered a letter I had received from P. L. Goss and I told him to release J. J. Walser and J. Beus and also to send A. Newberger to England.

Saturday, March 31, 1883 - Liverpool

The sun is shining gloriously.

I have traveled 510 miles during the month of March. I have attended 25 meetings. The weather has been stormy and pleasant about equally divided. I have written 46 letters during this month, and with various other duties have been kept very busy.

Monday, April 2, 1883 - Liverpool

Another fine day. I wrote letters to H. J. Grant and to both of my

wives. In the evening we held a meeting in the Market Square Birkenhead. Bros. Lambert and Peter Elliot spoke. A crowd broke up our meeting. We all testified to them of the truth.

Monday, April 9, 1883 - Liverpool

We are getting things ready to send of a company of saints.

Tuesday, April 10, 1883 - Liverpool

At 1 a.m. the Scandinavian saints arrived in this city. At 5 a.m. the Scotch, and they are coming from all quarters.

I wrote letters to my wives. I lent Bro. Benjamin Bennett \$4.00. 353 persons were booked today for Utah. I wrote to both of my wives.

Wednesday, April 11, 1883 - Liverpool

The steamship Nevada of the Guion line left Liverpool today with 352 saints on board, David McKay in charge.

Friday, April 13, 1883 - Liverpool

Foggy. I spent the day reading and writing. I received letters from my wives, W. Woodruff and Joseph F. Smith. Bro. G. C. Lambert and I read the proof of the [Millennial] Star. Bro. Woodruff say[s] President Taylor has requested the Twelve to inquire into J. W. Young's course of life. Nothing has been said or done about A[lbert]. C[arrington]. Bro. Woodruff says my 2nd wife looks sorrowfull when she comes for a letter and don't find one addressed to her. I guess he is mistaken for I write to her every week.

Saturday, April 14, 1883 - Liverpool

I went to London and was met at Euston Station by Bros. West and Whitney. We spent the evening in conversation.

Sunday, April 15, 1883 - London

Pleasant. The conference commenced at 10:30 a.m. All of the Elders in the conference reported their labor. Their are now 16 Elders in the London conference.

Three meetings were held outdorrns and at 6:30 the hall was full. Bros. C. H. Rheed, Whitney and myself were the speakers.

Bro. Nye had baptised 8 persons and we confirmed them in the meeting. Orsons assembly rooms, New Road was full to over flowing of people.

Monday, April 16, 1883 - London

I went and saw Crao the missing link. She looks like an Indian *papose*.

I had the elders together and talked to them for two hours.

In the evening we went to the Lyceum Theatre and saw the play

"Much Ado about Nothing." *Irving* and *Ellen* Terry played the leading characters. It was put on the stage in an excelent manner. The scenery was grand.

Tuesday, April 17, 1883 - London

We made some calls and in the p.m. visited the House of Commons and saw Mr. Gladstone and heard him speak. I don't like the room as well as that of the house of Representatives. In the evening we went to Vaudeville and saw the two Rivals. It was played spendidly.

Friday, April 20, 1883 - Liverpool

The day was spent in reading the proof of the new Key to Theology. I have ordered an edition of two thousand copies of that work. I took a Turkish Bath.

Saturday, April 21, 1883 - [on train to Nottingham]

On the train we met a Mrs. Yates and her Mother who are going to Prescott, Arizona. Miss Yates has recently married a man by the name of Charles Yates from Prescott. She don't love him but loves another man and is therefore in trouble. We gave her some friendly advice to be true to her husband and drop all thoughts of the other man.

Saturday, April 28, 1883 - Liverpool

Rainy. The steamship Wisconsin of the Guion Line brought 60 elders and five women from Utah. 24 were for Scandinavia, 4 for the Swiss and German mission, 32 for Great Britain. We met them on the steamer and brought them to 42. The English brethren were assigned to their fields and some of them left at once.

Sunday, May 6, 1883 - Liverpool

The day is fine. We held two meetings in the Hall and devided and held two in the street but few strangers listened to us.

Monday, May 7, 1883 - Liverpool

Bro. G. C. Lambert and I visited the Police court and saw the judge pass sentence on a number of poor drunken vagabonds of both men and women in about equal numbers. One of the women had been before the court, this was the 44th time.

Wednesday, May 16, 1883 - Liverpool

The Steamer Nevada left this city today with 217 British 184 Swiss & German & 12 Scandinavian and 14 returning Elders, 7 from England, 3 from Germany, and 4 from Scandinavia. Ben E. Rich was in charge of the party.

The Saints were singing Babylon Oh Babylon we bid thee farewell.

Saturday, May 19, 1883 - Liverpool and Isle of Man

I took steamer for Douglas, Isle of Man. We made the trip in 5 hours and had a pleasant ride.

The brethren met me at the *Pier* and we went to the house of John Radcliffe where we made our home.

Sunday, May 20, 1883 - Douglas, Isle of Man

8 p.m. we commenced our services in the Masonic Hall. Bro. J. A. West spoke upon the first principals of the gospel but he was interrupted many times. I spoke an hour amid confusion and before I sat down closed the meeting. Their must have been seven hundred people in the hall, about one third of whom were inspired by the evil one. We left the Hall amid great confusion, the police guarding us.

Monday, May 21, 1883 - Douglas, Isle of Man

Bro. J. A. West and I met Mr. Joseph Johnson who had challenged me [to a debate] the night at the Victoria Palace Hotel. Our meeting was stormy, Mr. Johnson stating his own terms and Mr. West accepting them. An effort was made to get a Hall but they were all closed against us. We again met Mr. Johnson and he felt much more kind and considerate than in the morning. It was mutually agreed to postpone until June 24 as no Hall could be obtained. These people were a little astonished that we did not run away in the night.

Thursday, May 24, 1883 - Liverpool

Today I had a chat with a (Mr. A) who is investigating the gospel. His wife's Sister has had two children by him, the first one is dead and his wife and her family knew about it, but the second one is now almost four years old and only him and myself and the woman know of it, so he says. He has provided for the child and says the woman is a good woman. I advised him to do his duty by her in every respect.

Friday, June 8, 1883 - Liverpool

Scott Anderson confessed that he was guilty of self pollution [masturbation] and asked to be re-baptised. I instructed Bro. Parkinson to attend to it for him.

Thursday, June 14, 1883 - Liverpool

I received the following telegram:

Salt Lake June 14

John Smith 42 Islington, Liverpool

Will's Nickey not expected to live, Eleanor poorly. Groesbeck

I telegraphed to James Meikle, Birmingham. Have Groesbeck come here today prepared to stop until your conference. All well here. J. H. Smith

William came and I received another telegram 6:5 p.m. Wills Nickey is dead. Groesbeck.

William passed a fearfull night.

Friday, June 15, 1883 - Liverpool

William Groesbeck is taking his troubles very hard. He decided to go home and I told him he could do so with my blessing. Five hundred and 6 saints and 18 elders left Copenhagen today.

Saturday, June 16, 1883 - Liverpool

Pleasant. William Groesbeck and John McQuarrie left for home today on the Arizona.

Monday, June 25, 1883 - Liverpool and Swansea

Bro. Lambert and I returned to Liverpool, having attended three meetings and traveled 150 miles. I found on my table a telegram from W. D. Williams of Swansea saying that Elder Shadrach Jones died Sunday at 5 p.m. I at once left for Swansea, where I arrived at 10:30 p.m. and was met by the brethren.

Tuesday, June 26, 1883 - Swansea, South Wales

The brethren and I walked out to Forest Fach some three miles to where Bro. Shadrach Jones body was, took his size and went back and had some temple clothes made for him [for his burial].

Wednesday, June 27, 1883 - Swansea, South Wales

It rained all day as hard as it could pour. We walked out to Forest Fach and put the clothes on him and put him into his coffin and carried [it] to a Baptist Chapel in their grave yard and held service. I spoke first and then Bro. David Lewis spoke in Welch. Considering the weather we had a very good turn out. We carried him to the grave and put him in. I dedicated him to the Lord, as also the ground.

Saturday, July 7, 1883 - Liverpool

I received letters from my wives and son George. Sarah F. my wife gave birth to a son on the 19th of June. My sisters Sarah M. and Clarissa both had sons a day or two before.

At 10:35 a.m. Bro. Wrathall and I left Liverpool and at 4 p.m. we arrived at Hull. We were met by Mr. Charles Mapples and shown around the Town.

On going on board the S.S. Cato we learned she would not sail untill morning. Hull has a population of 160 thousand. I bought a suit of clothes of Mr. Thos. Henings and paid £4.10.0.

Tuesday, July 10, 1883 - S.S. *Cato*, North Sea off Coast of Jutland

We ran along the coast of Jutland quite a distance. I was studying Danish most of the day. A heavy swell of the sea made Bro. Wrathall very sick. At 10:30 p.m. we were off Elsinore. We were lowered into a Pilot boat during a shower and from there after a short ride change[d] boats again.

Thursday, July 12, 1883 - Copenhagen, Denmark

Warm and pleasant. I had to take off[f] my shirts and drawers. I received a letter from P. F. Goss giving me routes through Germany.

Bro. Fjeldsted gave me a nice pair of shoes. This evening we visited Tivoli gardens where we had a splendid time. We saw three women one man and a boy ride a Bycycle. We got a nice idea of Danish life and manners. In this country they make all drunkards and vagrants work on the streets and earn their own living. When a man gets in that gang he cannot get out without some wealthy man vouching for him. I had my Photo taken today.

Friday, July 13, 1883 - Copenhagen, Denmark

We went to the Races some ten miles away from the City. The king and Queen and the crown Prince were present, the track was nice and thousands of people were present. They drank beer, smoked and enjoyed themselves but were not drunk nor given to rowdyism. I enjoyed myself very much and returned to the City well pleased.

Sunday, July 15, 1883 - Copenhagen, Denmark

At 2 p.m. we went to meeting. The saints have a very nice little Hall that holds about 225 persons. I spoke to the saints about 40 minutes, Bros. Jorgensen and Fjeldsted giving the interpretation. A good spirit prevailed.

Wednesday, July 18, 1883 - Copenhagen and Malmo, Sweden

I was sick all day with cold and diarrhea. At 4:30 p.m. we left Denmark for Malmo, Sweden, distance 20 miles. It was a nice ride. We were met by Bro. Chas. W. Tietjen and taken to the Conference house. After supper we went to meeting. Bro. Wrathall and I spoke. Bro. P. Sundwall interpreted. Bro. Fjeldsted spoke a little while.

Saturday, July 21, 1883 - Stockholm, Sweden

Bros E. K. Wrathall and I took a bath. In this country women wait on you. I was successfull in keeping the woman out of my room, but one put Wrathall through a regular Swedish bath, scratching his back and whipping him down.

We also went out seven miles to Drottninghohn where the Crown Prince lives. It contains a nice museum and the grounds are very fine. 6 p.m. returned to the city. The evening we spent in listening to music in one of the gardens. I have enjoyed myself very much.

[Trip continued from Sweden to Berlin, Leipzig, Mannheim, Stuttgart, Schaffhausen, Aarau, Bern, and Paris.]

Sunday, Aug. 5, 1883 - Mannheim and Stuttgart, Germany

Bro. James Jennings called on me, and we went to the Railroad station and met Bro. P. F. Goss. He had come in the night before and got some of the saints with him and we had a general hand shaking. The government had forbidden the saints to hold meetings of any kind on pain of expulsion from the state. We took a look up and down the Rhine, paid our bill at the hotel and went on to Stuttgart.

We saw a few of the saints and chatted a little while with them. We saw Bro. J. Haffen. He is well and doing the best he can in the ministry. The officers are after him almost constantly.

Monday, Aug. 6, 1883 - Stuttgart to Schaffhausen, Switzerland

We left at 7 a.m. and traveled through a most lovely country, being fine Wooded hills and valleys covered with Rich crops of grain. We reached Schaffhausen in Switzerland about 2:30 p.m. and put up with a Bro. Hagg.

We held meeting with the Saints in the evening. 15 persons present. I drank a glass of wine tonight for the purpose of finding what the people use.

Sunday, Aug. 12, 1883 - Bern, Switzerland

We held three meetings and I spoke at them all. Bros. P. F. Goss, J. Q. Cannon, J. Lederman, J. Schiess, R. Hochstrasser, G. Hirschi, Andrew Villet, J. Stucki and James Wrathall were present and all spoke. A very good spirit prevailed during the entire day.

Thursday, Aug. 16, 1883 - Paris, France

The day was very pleasant. We visited the Arch De Triumphe, Tomb of Napoleon 1st, the Louvre, Hotel De Ville, Notre Dame, St. Sulpice, Pantheon and the Garden of the Luxembourg, the Column of Vendome. We bought a few pictures and at 11 p.m. went to bed well pleased with our day's labor.

Saturday, Aug. 18, 1883 - Paris and London

It is a beautiful day. We leave this gilded city with its fair exterior.

Our Journey to England was pleasant and we were glad to again put our feet on English soil. I felt the heavy air on my lungs at once. We found the brethren all well at 19 Sutherland Street.

Sunday, Aug. 19, 1883 - London

I attended meetings in the White Chapel and North London branches and spoke at both of them. I enjoyed most excellent liberty. The saints seemed to feel pleased to see Bro. Wrathall and I. It is quite agreeable to be again on English soil where one can understand what people are about.

Sunday, Aug. 26, 1883 - Liverpool

We held three meetings today. One in Shield Park but it was broken by Rowdyism.

Friday, Aug. 31, 1883 - Liverpool

I wrote to Joseph F. Smith to arrange for one of my wives to come with the Elders. I also wrote several other letters.

Tuesday, Sept. 18, 1883 - Liverpool

I am thirty-five years old today and aside from a little rheumatism am in good health. I took a Turkish bath tonight.

[Visited congregations in Sunderland, Nottingham, London, and Bradford during September and October.]

Thursday, Oct. 18, 1883 - Liverpool

I received a letter from Elder J. Q. Cannon in which he says he thinks my wife and his are on the way here. He says all of the Elders are in pretty good health except Hirschi. Jennings aint trying to do anything. Villet is weak and almost worthless. He also says Paul Hammer was guilty of grave indiscretions when on a mission some years ago taking another mans wife home with him.

Wednesday, Oct. 24, 1883 - Liverpool

Stormy. I wrote to J. Q. Cannon for him to send Jennings to England. G. D. Olsen confessed to me that when he was a young man he had sexual knowledge of two women, Sam Sarrines wife and Leo Hawkins wife. This had troubled him lately and he had been out of his head.

Wednesday, Oct. 31, 1883 - Liverpool

I have traveled 850 miles during this month. I have attended 20 meetings. I have written 38 letters.

Friday, Nov. 2, 1883 - Liverpool

Several of us went out to meet the Oregon and found all well on board.

My wife Josephine and son Nicholas, Mrs. Annie Cannon, Mrs. John Reeve & Mrs. Long and a man and his wife, I did not learn their names [arrived].

Sunday, Nov. 11, 1883 - Liverpool

Pleasant. We held two meetings today. The first was given up to testimony and in the evening Bros. James and Lambert spoke.

Monday, Nov. 19, 1883 - Liverpool

Stormy. I dreamed my wife Sarah was dead. I spent the day studying German.

Sunday, Dec. 2, 1883 - Liverpool

Last evening Elder Joseph H. Armstrong . . . came to the office at Forty two laboring under a mental strain. He confessed to me that he had been guilty of Feeling of the Privates of Females since he was a married man, that while he had never been guilty of sexual intercourse with them still he felt that he was guilty of adultery. I comforted him as well as I could seeing his excited condition. This morning he seems to feel much better. We went to meeting and Bro. Armstrong and others bore testimony.

Monday, Dec. 3, 1883 - Liverpool

Foggy. I spent the day in study.

Bro. Armstrong seems to feel pretty well, a little despondent.

Tuesday, Dec. 4, 1883 - Liverpool

Foggy. Bro. Jos. H. Armstrong left this morning for Derby feeling first rate. I spent the day writing letters.

Wednesday, Dec. 5, 1883 - Liverpool

At 2 p.m. I received the following

Derby, Dec. 5th, 1883

John Henry Smith
42 Islington, Liverpool

A sad calamity has befallen Joseph H. Armstrong. He is just alive. Write particulars.

John Cartwright.

At 3 p.m. I took train for Derby and reached there at 5:10 p.m. I was met at the Station by Bros. Cartwright and Jackson. Between 9 and 10 o'clock this morning Joseph H. Armstrong tried to cut his own throat with his pocket knife. The wound aint very bad but he had lost considerable blood. The Doctor had ordered him to be sent to the Infirmary.

Bro. Cartwright went to Nottingham to see Bro. E. H. Williams. I went home with Bro. Jackson.

Thursday, Dec. 6, 1883 - Derby

Bro. E. H. Williams was impressed to come from Leicester to Derby this morning. Bro. John Cartwright returned from Nottingham.

We called to see Armstrong, who seems to be doing nicely. He seems to be rational enough now. We conversed with him awhile. I returned to Liverpool and found all well at 42. I traveled going and returning 178 miles.

Wednesday, Dec. 12, 1883 - Liverpool

The wind blew a perfect hurricane all night all over the British

Isles. Many houses were blown down, and a number of people were killed. Much damage was done to shipping.

I spent the day in writing and study.

We held meeting in the evening, several strangers were present.

Friday, Dec. 21, 1883 - Liverpool

The day is very fine. I telegraphed W. F. Smith to come to Liverpool to go home. Bros. E. H. Williams, Joseph H. Armstrong, W. S. Tanner and N. F. Smith all came in. Armstrong is improving in health but his mind unsettled.

Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1883 - Liverpool

Still pleasant. We had six of the poor of this branch to dinner with us. The day was spent in visiting them.

[Went to Scotland, December 28, 1883-January 1, 1884.]

Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1884 - Liverpool

We held a meeting in the evening and organized a Mutual improvement association with W. L. James and president and C. Anakin and John Doyle as Counsellors.

Monday, Jan. 7, 1884 - Liverpool

Warm. Rainy. I wrote several letters, among them the release of John Q. Cannon to return home. In the evening we had a meeting of the Mutual improvement association. Some essays were read and songs and speeches made.

Thursday, Jan. 10, 1884 - Liverpool

Windy. Sun shining brightly, birds building nests. I spent the day in study. We took a walk. We went to Princess Park.

Saturday, Jan. 12, 1884 - Liverpool and London

The day was very fine. I received a letter from J. Q. Cannon saying that E. Evans was very sick at Berlin. I telegraphed for Jos. A. Smith to bring him to Liverpool. My wife and I went to London. We found Bro. Nye and others well.

Sunday, Jan. 13, 1884 - Pimlico, London

It is a very fine day. Conference commenced at 10:30. Elders from Utah present: E. H. Nye, A. H. Harris, Leo Clawson, John Reeve, N. G. Reese, J. Hemsley, A. Stayner Jr., C. E. Angel, J. Bench, Gibbons, Braby, Lund, C. Denney, G. Atkins, Dent. All of the brethren took turns in speaking. A good spirit prevailed. A number of strangers were present.

Monday, Jan. 14, 1884 - Pimlico, London

Weather fine. The Elders all came together and we had a good

counsel meeting. My wife and I went to the Drury Lane Theatre and saw Cinderella. It was a fine display.

Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1884 - London and Liverpool

Foggy. I received a letter from br. G. C. Lambert and in it was a clipping from the Evening News of the 28th of Dec, 83 saying that Mother Groesbeck had died that morning. It speaks in high terms of her.

At 12 noon we took train for Liverpool where we arrived at 5 p.m. and found our boy well. We received letter from Julina Smith saying Mother was dead.

Sunday, Jan. 20, 1884 - Liverpool

Cool but pleasant. Two meetings today. I spoke an hour in the evening. I did not enjoy good liberty.

Wednesday, Jan. 23, 1884 - Liverpool

Windy and cold. My eyes are bad. I cannot use them much.

Saturday, Jan. 26, 1884 - Liverpool

Showery, I spent the day reading.

Tuesday, Jan. 29, 84 - Liverpool

Rainy. I received the following Cablegram
Salt Lake, Quickmere

Regret Cannons Release. Prefer He remain Longer. Taylor.

I wrote to John Q. Cannon requesting him to remain at his post until released by the brethren at home.

Thursday, Jan. 31, 1884

Stormy. I spent the day reading and writing.

During the month I have attended 18 meetings, traveled 582 miles and written 35 letters.

We have had a number of very Severe wind storms. A number of boats have gone down at sea and many lives have been lost. Walls, houses and chimnies have been blown down and some lives lost.

Sunday, Feb. 3, 1884 - Liverpool

Cold. I did not go to meeting during today. I am under the weather with Lumbago in my back.

Thursday, Feb. 7, 1884 - Liverpool

It is rainy. I received letters from J. Q. Cannon, Richard Douglas, my wife Sarah and several others. A. Douglas has gone home without being released.

Tuesday, Feb. 12, 1884 - Liverpool

I spent the day writing and reading. I am still troubled with Lumbago.

Wednesday, Feb. 13, 1884 - Liverpool

Pleasant. I spent the day working on an Editorial for the Star, subject Adultery.

We held meeting in the evening.

Friday, Feb. 15, 1884 - Liverpool

Cool and pleasant. I spent most of the day reading proof for the Star and a new Edition of the Hymn book.

Saturday, Feb. 16, 1884 - Liverpool

Cold and winterly. Bros. Joseph Wild and E. Evans left for home today.

I have spent part of the day reading. Elder C. H. Rhees is to pre-side in the Leeds conference.

Tuesday, Feb. 19, 1884 - Liverpool

Rainy. I spent the day writing letters and reading. I received letters from Prest. G. Q. Cannon and M. Thatcher. The latter wrote from the City of Washington. He says public opinion is very strong against the Saints.

Tuesday, Feb. 26, 1884 - Liverpool

Smoky and dark. The Arizona reached New York on Monday. Bros. E. Evans and Jos. Wild were on board. I spent the day writing letters. By extracts from some papers I learn that a Bro. Eastman is publishing letters against W. Jarman, and wringing my name in. Jarman thinks of suing me for slander for publishing a letter from his wife.

[Went to Hereford and South Wales for meetings, March 1-4, and to Sunderland for meetings, March 16-17.]

Tuesday, March 18, 1884 - Liverpool

Pleasant. I wrote to my wife Sarah. Mr. George Ramsden and I agreed as to passenger rates for this year. Twelve Elders go free with each company. Steerage from England £4.00, intermediate £7. Denmark £5.50.

Monday, March 24, 1884 - Bradford, Yorkshire

Cool and pleasant. I dreamed in the night that President Young and my Father were still alive but that they had been away from the people and returned not satisfied with the way President Taylor was doing. I saw Prest. Taylor moving from the yard into his own home, and he seemed to be much troubled in his mind. J. W. Young and my brother Charles seemed to be mixed up in the affair. My conversation with my Father was as real as in

life. I enjoyed it very much. President Taylor came to where Father and I stood and they both disappeared.

Wednesday, March 26, 1884 - Liverpool

Weather cool but pleasant. I spent the day writing an Editorial for the Star.

We held testimony meeting in the evening.

Friday, March 28, 1884 - Liverpool

Cloudy.

The Prince of Wales attends the races here today. I went out to Aintree race course and saw the steeple chase. The Prince of Wales received the news of the death of his brother, Leopold, Duke of Albany. I should think fifty thousand were at Aintree today.

Monday, March 31, 1884 - Manchester and Liverpool

Rainy. The Elders came together in Counsel. Bro. Lambert myself and wife took dinner with Mr. D. C. Lambert. We returned to Liverpool at 4 p.m. I have written 30 letters, attended 26 meetings. I have traveled 855 miles.

Tuesday, April 1, 1884 - Liverpool

Pleasant. I wrote to my wife Sarah and spent the rest of the day in study.

Sunday, April 6, 1884 - Sheffield

Meeting was held in the morning in the Saints meeting room. There were Utah Elders present W. H. Wright, B. Bennett, J. Williams, George Croft, E. Dugdale and myself. The saints presented Bro. Wright with a nice Bible as a little token of esteem. Bros. Williams and Croft and I spoke.

We met in the Albert Hall at 2 p.m. It is a nice place and will hold about five hundred. It was nicely filled. Bro. W. H. Wright and I were the speakers. Just after meeting a Sister Bacon fell in a fit. We rebuked her trouble in the name of the Lord Jesus and she got up and walked off. An Infidel Scofed at us and wanted us to perform a miracle.

Wednesday, April 9, 1884 - Liverpool

Splendid day.

Our company left for New York. British 207, Scandinavian 95. Elders 17. Total 319.

Thursday, April 10, 1884 - Liverpool

The weather is very fine. I wrote a short Editorial for the Star and

letters to President John Taylor and my wife Sarah, son George and Aunt Lucy. We held meeting in the evening. No strangers present.

Monday, April 21, 1884 - London

Cold. The Elders came together and we had a pleasant meeting in talking over the best methods to pursue in our missionary labors. In the evening we attended a Concert given by the saints at Battersea.

Guion's steamer Oregon has made the quickest trip on record from Queenstown to Sandy Hook - 6 days 10 hours and 10 minutes.

Friday, April 25, 1884 - Liverpool

I received a letter from J. Q. Cannon in regard to Emigration. Paul Hammer has been having the small pox: he has fled from Austria in to Germany. Bro. Biesinger is in prison at Prague for preaching. How long he will be confined we have not learned.

I wrote to Prest. J. Q. Cannon telling him to send Paul Hammer to Denmark. Bro. Lambert and I read some proof. I received several business letters from home and among them one from F.M. Lyman. He says my brother C. W. Smith is keeping bad company and drinking quite hard. J. W. Taylor fills Bro. C. C. Richs place in the Quorum of the Twelve. W. B. Preston has been chosen for presiding Bishop of the Church. C. D. Fjeldsted takes Bro. J. Van Cotts place in the Seventies.

Wednesday, April 30, 1884 - Liverpool

Showery. I have a nasty cold. I wrote to F. M. Lyman and spent the balance of the day reading in the Doctrine and Covenants.

Friday, May 2, 1884 - Liverpool

It is still raining quite hard. I spent the day dictating letters and reading in the Doctrine and Covenants.

Wednesday, May 7, 1884 - Liverpool

Weather nice and pleasant. I spent the day reading, dictating letters and writing.

Friday, May 9, 1884 - Liverpool

Pleasant. I spent the day reading. In the evening we held meeting in Shield Park, but few persons listened to us.

Friday, May 16, 1884 - Liverpool

Pleasant. Bros. J. G. Haffen and Schiess with 135 emigrants from Germany and Switzerland arrived here today all safe. We booked 141 British emigrants.

Monday, May 19, 1884 - Liverpool

The day is fine. We had a little meeting of the Elders and talked over the best methods to be adopted to get at the people.

Friday, May 23, 1884 - Liverpool

The weather is just as pleasant as it possibly can be. I spent the day studying the question of the atonement. We held an outdoor meeting in the evening, but few attended.

Saturday, May 24, 1884 - Liverpool

Today is the Queen Victoria's birthday. Flags are flying in honor of the same, and the volunteers were out on parade.

Tuesday, May 27, 1884 - Liverpool

Weather dry and warm. I spent the day writing letters.

In the evening Bros. H. L. James, C. G. Arthur and a local brother and I went to Wavertree Park to hold meeting. We commenced our services but were stopped by a policeman who said it was contrary to the rules of the Park. We had first asked the keeper who consented but when told who we were seemed to be in doubt, but after consulting the Police they came and requested us to stop.

Thursday, May 29, 1884 - Liverpool

Cold and windy. I spent the day in study.

We went to Birkenhead and held meeting on some vacant ground. Quite a large crowd listened attentively. One vile fellow, well dressed and of genteel appearance, called me all manner of vile names. I came very near getting loosing my temper and administering personal chastisement to him.

Friday, June 13, 1884 - Liverpool

Fine still. The Saints from Scandinavia got in during last night. We booked 100 people today. At 10 p.m. tonight Mr. Ramsden informed me that the Steamer Arizona had been seized for debt but the seizure was illegal. This caused me much worry.

Saturday, June 14, 1884 - Liverpool

Splendid weather. Our company leaves tonight with 100 English, 406 Scandinavians and 29 returning Elders. They left in the night, E. H. Nye in charge.

Tuesday, June 17, 1884 - Liverpool

Warm. I spent the day writing letters. We held an outdoor meeting at S[t.] James Cemetery and were disturbed by roughs.

Thursday, June 19, 1884 - Liverpool

Pleasant. We read the Proofs of the Star. We went to Birkenhead and held meeting on market square, had a large crowd and good order.

Wednesday, June 25, 1884 - Liverpool

Warm. Cloudy. I spent the day reading. We had meeting in the evening. Some stranger interrupted Bro. Lambert while he was speaking and I put him out of the house.

Sunday, June 29, 1884 - Birmingham

Our conference was held in Hockley Chapel, commencing at 10:30 a.m.

During the morning hour several of the brethren reported their labors. We had a good attendance of people during the entire day. In the evening the room was jamed, and a splendid spirit prevailed.

Monday, June 30, 1884 - Birmingham

Pleasant. The brethren came together in Counsel and all of us spoke upon the best plans to adopt in preaching the Gospel.

Sunday, July 6, 1884 - Liverpool

Showery. We held three meetings today. I spoke in the evening on plural marriage.

[With Josephine visited Glasgow, Edinburgh, and Sterling, Scotland, July 12-16. Held meetings and visited historic sights.]

Friday, July 18, 1884 - Liverpool

I bought a hat today and paid 15/2. By letters from home we learn that Father N. Groesbeck died on June 29 and he was buried on July 1st. This came as a heavy blow to my wife, although we knew he was sick.

Sunday, July 20, 1884 - London

Pleasant. We held one meeting outdoors and three in Orsons Assembly hall, New Road, Whitechapel.

Our meetings were well attended. I spoke one hour and 20 minutes in the evening, subject plural marriage.

Monday, July 21, 1884 - London

Rainy. We held a meeting at 19 Sutherland Street, Pimlico at 11 a.m. All of the Elders spoke.

Today a popular demonstration was made against the House of Lords for their action against the franchise bill. I should think one million people were in the streets of the City.

Tuesday, July 22, 1884 - Liverpool

Pleasant. I wrote to Thomas Waddoups releasing him to return home and appointing J. A. Druce to preside. I made arrangements for my wife and Child to go home with Bro. Waddoups.

Saturday, July 26, 1884 - Liverpool

It rained all day. David James and his two daughters, Thomas Waddoups and Josephine and Nicholas, my wife and son, left for home on the Steamer Wyoming. I went with them to Queenstown. 10 years ago today I first landed in England.

Sunday, July 27, 1884 - Steamer *Wyoming* and Cork, Ireland

Weather fine. I bid goodbye for the present to my wife and son and friends and I went ashore. I at once took train for Cork and upon arrival I stopped at the Imperial Hotel. I hired a jaunting car and drove to Blarney Castle and put my hand on the celebrated Blarney stone but did not kiss it as travelers usually do.

Tuesday, July 29, 1884 - Queenstown, Ireland, and Liverpool

Stormy. I found all well at the office, with letters and papers from home. Old 42 looks very grim and lonesome without my wife and child.

[Went to Denmark and Sweden for meetings, August 2-17.]

Monday, Aug. 18, 1884 - Liverpool

I got letters from both my wives. The Papers announce the death of W. W. Taylor and L. W. Hardy. It is reported that two Elders have been killed in Tenn. by a mob.

Thursday, Aug. 21, 1884 - Liverpool

Very warm. I received and answered many letters. John E. White confessed to me that he had married a wife some years ago and left her and that he had married his present wife without her knowing that he still had a wife living and undivorced. Sister White feels her position very keenly. I advised them to sleep apart until they could decide what to do.

Tuesday, Sept. 2, 1884 - Liverpool

Cool and pleasant. Bro. G. C. Lambert and I wrote a letter to the Editor of the Liverpool Daily Post denying some statements made by Miss Paddock and copied into the Post from the New York Sun. We called upon Mr. Russell, the Editor and he consented to publish it. We were carefull to draw it quite mild so it went all right.

Wednesday, Sept. 3, 1884 - Liverpool

Showery. Our Article appeared in the Post this morning.

Thursday, Sept. 4, 1884 - Liverpool

Cool and showery. I received letters from both of my wives and they are well. All is going nicely at home. The News brings word that the bodies of our murdered brethren were on the way home.

Tonights Echo had an Editorial in reply to my short letter in the Post.

Friday, Sept. 12, 1884 - Liverpool

I wrote another Article for the Echo and went to the office in the evening but did not see the party I wanted to.

Saturday, Sept. 13, 1884 - Liverpool

Pleasant. I called on the Editor of the Echo and he told me he personally had no prejudice against my people but did not dare to publish the letter I had sent him as it was backed up by too much proof so I handed him another article without many quotations from other people. They agreed to publish that on Monday.

Tuesday, Sept. 16, 1884 - Liverpool

Pleasant. I attended the Welch Eisteddfod in the Hay Market today. It was a grand affair. The building would seat about fifteen thousand people. Speeches, instrumental music and singing were the order of the day. I kept my seat for over six hours. The mayor of the City presided, having no insignia of office. Everybody rendered their parts well.

Wednesday, Sept. 17, 1884 - Liverpool

This evening's Echo had part of my letter in it.

Thursday, Sept. 18, 1884 - Liverpool

Warm. I received letters from both of my wives. All are well at home. Sarah sent me a nice birthday card.

I sent a letter to the Manchester Evening News, signed by Br. C. J. Arthur. I wrote letters to both of my wives. I was also preparing it for the Star.

I am thirty-six years old today and am happy and well. Good news! 12 more persons baptised at Belfast, Ireland.

Friday, Sept. 19, 1884 - Liverpool, England

Last night's Echo had a very dirty editorial and a moderately fair letter from one who signs "Observer." At 11 a.m. I left for Sunderland.

Sunday, Sept. 21, 1884 - Sunderland

Showery. The brethren have secured a very nice Hall.

6 p.m. hall well filled. The speakers were Bros. Batty, Goddard and myself. I spoke upon plural marriage, all hands gave good attention.

Monday, Sept. 22, 1884 - York and Liverpool

Showery. At 9:35 a.m. I bid the brethren good bye and started for Liverpool. I called [at] York and visited the "Minster" [cathedral]. It is 525 feet long and 222 feet wide and 213 feet high in the central Tower. It is said the building stands where in early times was an old Norman Church and then a Saxon one. Some of the foundations of both are left. It is a grand old structure. The old city wall is still well preserved.

I reached Liverpool at 7 p.m. All were well at 42. Some papers had come from home.

Tuesday, Sept. 23, 1884 - Liverpool

Damp and threatening. I agreed with Ramsden for 4 pounds [steamship fare] from Denmark.

I spent the time writing for the Star and writing a letter for the Echo.

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 1884 - Liverpool

Tonight's Echo contains nothing good about the Saints but another vile letter from Jos. Johnson of Douglass, Isle of Man.

Friday, Sept. 26, 1884 - Liverpool

Pleasant. Bro. G. C. Lambert and I took some letters to the Echo office. They said they would publish them, but they did not do but published another dirty letter from Jos. Johnson.

Saturday, Sept. 27, 1884

Our letters did not appear in the Echo, but a dirty Editorial did and two short screeds, which said the correspondence must close.

Tuesday, Sept. 30, 1884 - Manchester and Liverpool

Cool and pleasant. Bro. G. C. Lambert and I returned to Liverpool. I called upon Mr. Pearson, Editor of the Echo and hazed him a little in regard to the English liberality as manifested by his paper in regard to the "Mormons." He expressed regret at the course pursued and said it was unfair to us but he could not help it as he was one of many. I called upon Mr. Parsonage of the Courier, he did not seem inclined to give us any show to defend ourselves from the attacks in the Echo, but he would publish some short Articles in regard to us as a people.

Sunday, Oct. 5, 1884 - Nottingham

Pleasant. We held three meetings. The Apostate William Jarman came into the afternoon meeting and at the close of the services tried to speak. We had him squelched at once. The Police ordered him to move in which he did. It created some confusion.

Monday, Oct. 6, 1884 - Nottingham and Liverpool

Pleasant. The Elders all got together and we held a Council. All of us spoke, a good feeling prevailed. I went and had my Photo taken and then took train for Liverpool.

Tonight Miss A. confessed to me that she had been guilty of Fornication with a young man on Wednesday night the first instant. I gave her such counsel as I thought best. She seems to feel the weight of her shame keenly. She told me of her trouble of her own choice.

I sent a letter to M. L. Pratt appointing him to preside in the Nottingham Conference.

[Went with Bro. George Goddard to Ireland and Scotland for meetings, October 7-13.]

Wednesday, Oct. 8, 1884 - Dublin, Ireland

Rainy. We walked to the Custom house and from thence to the Post Office, in lower Sackville Street. In this street are monuments to Charles O'Connor, The Battle of Trafalgar and Lord Gray. We visited Trinity College dining room and Library. We saw the four gospels in Italian by the Monks, it is nicely preserved. We saw the Breeches Bible printed by Parker of London 1583. It is called the breeches Bible because that word appears in Genesis 111.7. The old Parliament building, built 1726, is now occupied by the Bank of Ireland, all but the old house of Lords, which continues as it used to be when the laws of Ireland were enacted. We visited the Royal College of Surgeons. The Collections are very good.

After leaving the College of Surgeons we hired a jaunting car and drove by way of St. Patricks Cathedral, Kilmanhaim gaol, Phoenix Park and saw the spot where Cavendish and Burke were killed by the Invincibles.

Thursday, Oct. 9, 1884 - Dublin and Belfast

Cold and Rainy. We paid our bill 6/2 each and at 9 a.m. left for Belfast, where we arrived at 1 p.m.

We held a meeting at Abercorn Hall, Victoria Street. About four hundred persons present. Bro. G. C. Lambert and I spoke. Bro. G. Goddard sang a song. A lot of young men raised a disturbance so that our meeting was unpleasant to us all. The prospects were that we would be mobbed but a gentleman by the name Samuel Briglington appealed to all hands to go along about their business.

Friday, Oct. 10, 1884 - Belfast

It rained, snowed and blew most all day. We tried to rent the Hall to hold meeting, the owners taking the risk of damage but they would not. We hired a jaunting Car and went 15 miles into the Country to Mrs. Eliza Jane Boyd, Rothmore, Parish of Dunnagore, County Antrim, where we saw a genuine Irish country home and ate some Potatoe fudge. Saw the peat burning, the threshing out of oats and we also saw the pigs being fed.

We had dinner at William A. Jamison five miles from Belfast and had a most pleasant time. We returned to the City and held meeting at 93 Hornby street, Belfast. A few persons present. Bros. Lambert, Goddard and myself were the speakers. A good spirit prevailed. Bro. Geo. Wilson and I bid the other brethren good bye and we left at 9:30 p.m. for Glasgow.

Saturday, Oct. 11, 1884 - Glasgow, Scotland

We reached Glasgow at 7 a.m. and found Bro. McKay quite well. I received a letter from Prest. Wilford Woodruff giving me some items of news, also a communication from Bros. George Q. Cannon, A. Carrington and F. D. Richards in regard to P. P. Pratt's works. They desire to know how many Editions of the Voice of Warning and Key to Theology have been issued and what they have been sold at, what they have cost for printing and publishing and selling. They also want to know the same in regard to Spencer's letter. Bro. Pratt's family have asked for pay for these works, which in my Judgment they should have something.

I also got a letter from Bro. George Reynolds with a copy of one from President Jno. Taylor to Paul E. B. Hammer in answer to two letters of Bro. Hammers in which the latter wanted a change of field or go home. I at once wrote to Prest. A. H. Lund to release Bro. Hammer to return home.

We held a Council meeting of the Utah Elders at 3 p.m. At 6 p.m. the Local Priesthood came in and Bro. Angus McKay and I gave some instructions. A good spirit prevailed.

Tuesday, Oct. 14, 1884 - Liverpool

I received a letter from Clarence Merrill yesterday asking me to permit his Father to be adopted into my Fathers family. I wrote to him, yes!¹⁹

Thursday, Oct. 16, 1884 - Liverpool

Today Bros. G. C. Lambert, C. J. Arthur, J. Alma Smith, H. L. James, J. W. Thornley and myself went with Bro. Hugh D. Roberts to the Show grounds at Birkenhead Where ground was broken by Mr. W. E. Gladstone for the Wirral Railway. The Prime Minister in speaking pointed the advantage that would accrue to Liverpool and North Wales by opening a more direct or shorter Route for the exchange of commodities. In his speech he made the statement that the supply of milk for Liverpool would not exceed one pint per week to every person. He has an easy way of speaking and is very well preserved for a man of his age. The shovel and wheelbarrow were very fine and will no doubt find a place in some museum. From ten to twenty thousand people must have been present. I regard myself as very fortunate in getting so good a view and also in hearing so distinctly "The Grand Old Man," as the English people call Mr. Gladstone. The crowd cheered him heartily and everything passed off pleasantly.

¹⁹Church authorities occasionally were asked by individuals and families of lesser prominence to be adopted in order to be part of the authorities' families in eternity. See Gordon Irving, "The Law of Adoption: One Phase of the Development of the Mormon Concept of Salvation, 1830-1900," *Brigham Young University Studies* 14 (Spring 1974): 291-314.

Friday, Oct. 17, 1884 - Liverpool

I learned today that Mr. Guion's creditors had given him four years in which to work out of his trouble. Elders of Glasgow have taken the Arizona and Alaska but they are to continue to sail under Guion's flag. We are tided over for the present.

Monday, Oct. 20, 1884 - London

I dreamed an ugly dream. I was in a room with a rattlesnake and tried to kill it with a stick. I hit it a number of times but it sprung at me and in the midst of the battle I awoke. I felt it had touched my clothes but not injured me.

Tuesday, Oct. 21, 1884 - Liverpool

Mr. G. Ramsden of Guion & Co. came and informed me that they had no boat to go on Saturday, the Nevada was burned so badly. We agree that the Scandinavians should go on Thursday in the Inman Steamer City of Berlin and that the English should be delayed for one week and go in the Arizona. We at once telegraphed to all the presidents of Conferences and also wrote to them and all those who had sent their names to us as desiring to go.

Mr. Ramsden tells me that Mr. Guion has made an arrangement by which he is to have four years to meet his engagements.

Thursday, Oct. 23, 1884 - Liverpool

Tonight Miss A. came to see me. She confessed that her Father had been guilty of incest with her when she was only twelve years old. She feels very bad. What is the world coming to, it seems to be one vast charnel house of sin and wickedness.

Wednesday, Oct. 29, 1884 - Liverpool

Stormy. I bought a bracelet for little Sarah, and some sleeve buttons for George. A coat for Chase, and cap for Nathaniel.

Wednesday, Nov. 5, 1884 - Liverpool

Pleasant. I received a letter from B. B. Young asking me to loan him means to get to Salt Lake with. I wrote to him promising him I would do to New York.

Tuesday, Nov. 11, 1884 - Liverpool

I spent the evening looking over Puffendorf's Laws of Nature and Nations at the free library.

Friday, Nov. 14, 1884 - Liverpool

This morning I received the following.

Manchester, Nov. 13/84

John Henry Smith
Latter-day Devil Office
42 Islington, Liverpool

Shall be in Liverpool shortly. When I shall require you to meet me in Public debate or prepare to leave Liverpool. For I shall not rest so long as a missionary from Salt Lake remains in Great Britain. I want you to discuss Mormon Doctrine & Practice in Utah. You have my Permanent address. Have you any more letters from my ex-wife yet.

William Jarman

Sunday, Nov. 23, 1884 - Leeds

Cold. I dreamed this morning just before awakening that I took one of my upper teeth out with my fingers. It had a large hole in it and while very white it was crumbling to pieces, as I opened my knife and whittled it. I then gave it to my mother in law Sister Groesbeck who is now dead, and remarked to her that it was very peculiar. I then awakened.

We held three meetings today in the working mens hall, but few strangers present. We had a moderate turn out of Saints.

I spoke on plural marriage.

Sunday, Dec. 7, 1884 - Sheffield, Yorkshire

At 10 a.m. we held meeting in the Temperance Hall, Brightside.

At 12 noon we closed our services. We went to the Conference house and had dinner, and at two p.m. returned to the Hall. At the front door were about three hundred people. We passed in at a side door and shortly after the door was opened in front and the crowd rushed in, the Apostate William Jarman in the lead. There were about one hundred of the Saints and their friends and about three hundred of the others. We sang and prayed and Bro. Collett spoke on the first principles of the Gospel for 25 minutes. I took the stand to speak when a "gentleman" in the hall arose and asked me to let him speak. I told him no person would be allowed to speak only those on the platform. At this a rush was made for us and two Policemen who we had hired came to the platform and we beat back the enemy and held them at bay. I and Bro. Collett threw some men off the platform, which was about four feet high. Two old Sisters got on to the platform with us and one of these pulled out some of Jarman's beard and kicked him several times. Bro. Favel got a severe blow on the head. Jarman's own friends nearly killed him by crowding him against the platform. Jarman then drew to the center of the Hall and made a most vile speech, while his followers yelled like demons. We then passed into a room at the back and the crowd thinking we were going to try to get away they rushed out at the front just as Inspector Smith and several more Policemen were coming to clear the hall. The door was locked and we finished up our meeting, while the rowdy demons were har-

ranged in the street by Jarman. After our Services we returned to Peter [?] street. On going out the crowd hooted and hissed at me, and some of them told us they would give me a thrashing at night. A friend came in about 5 p.m. and told us that a very large crowd was gathering in front of the Hall. Bro. S. R. Bennion went and saw the Proprietor of the Hall and told him that we wanted to hold our meeting but was unable to pay any damage that might be done.

He said he should close the door for the building would certainly be wrecked. The Saints and some friends were instructed to go to the Conference House where we held our evening meeting, and while packed in close we had a good time. Elders Bennion, Biggs, Brown, Winward and myself were the speakers. The rowdy element to the tune of about two thousand strong gathered in front of the Temperance Hall and finding that [we] were gone they went to the Wicker [?] where the Saints had formerly occupied a room, and broke the windows, and not finding us they made some speeches and dispersed. There is no doubt but what if they had known where the Saints were holding their meeting the house would have been torn down. An Atheist came in to see us late in the evening, saying that the mob had run him off because he had said that we were kind of decent fellows.

I asked the police to arrest Jarman but they said they could not without a warrant.

Monday, Dec. 8, 1884 - Sheffield, Yorkshire and Liverpool

The Sheffield Daily Telegraph of this date gives a fair account of the Riot yesterday. Bro. Bennion and I called upon Chief Constable Jackson to see whether Jarman was to be arrested and he treated us kindly but said nothing could be done as our Hall was not licensed unless we got out summonses for the leading parties. He told us that Mr. Jarman had fled and we knew no others so the matter dropped. Personal liberty is a great thing when it extends to the taking away of the rights of others. It is a little to thick. I was somewhat surprised to find that the Town officials would do nothing although disorder had reigned supreme.

We called upon the Editors of the Daily Telegraph who treated us with kindness and we gave them some additional items. Mr. R. H. Dunbar was the writer of the Article.

I bid the brethren good bye and returned to Liverpool having traveled 144 miles.

I found several letters on business, among them one from Bro. G. Goddard reporting the arrival of the company at home. One from Bro. A. H. Lund and Bro. J. H. Clinger, also one each from Bros. F. Schoenfeld and Joseph A. Smith. The latter two asked Counsell in regard to what we had better do as Bro. Schoenfeld and Hochstrasser had been fined in Canton Aargau and must pay it or be imprisoned or take an appeal to a higher

tribunal. I wrote them either to take an appeal or go to prison after counseling with the brethren.

Tuesday, Dec. 9, 1884 - Liverpool

I mailed the Sheffield Daily Telegraph to all of Utah papers and my wives. I weighed on one pair of scales tonight 222 lbs., on another pair 229 lbs.

Wednesday, Dec. 10, 1844 - Liverpool

I received a bundle of the Sheffield Daily Telegraph giving us another fair showing in regard to the row.

I received a letter today of which the following is a Copy. It was mailed at Low Hill Post Office Nov. 9, 1884.

Mr. Smith Sir:

You are suspected as being a decendant of old Joe Smith the so called—you were like to get a fatal blow the other day. Just you mind what you are doing else you will share the same fate. You know dambd well that man is simply telling the truth as to what he knows of Utahs Salt Lake Valley. What in the name of common sense are you trying to deceive the people of this Country and getting them to obey the Gospel & emigrate to Zion where the pure in heart dwell, pure in heart with a vengeance. You know full well when the Saints migrated to Nauvoo every letter they sent to their friends in England or elsewhere were interrupted and if any detail of how things were going on and what was doing never reached their destination and a sharp eye was kept on such ever after. Yea and even after they went [to] Utah it is only lately they have anything like liberty of thought and action. Is it not deplorable for to think that in the present time such abomination to exist and that under the guise of religion. Do you believe in a God—do you believe in a just recompence of reward hereafter—do you suppose thoughtful people can take in what you propound. No no you may give it up before some of you are made Martyrs for your tomfoolery—the idea of temple endowments so called—when you have to take an oath that you will suport the authoraties of the Church right *or wrong* and if you dont take that oath you are never seen alive again. May the great god protect us from such dambd Scoundrels—devels in human form in no mistake.

It is to be hoped and justly so that some of you villians are killed and quartered, as a just vengeance of the Lord for so daring to teach and preach in his name. We warn you Smith to keep a sharp lookout else you or some of your confederates come to grief for presuming to gull the people and lead them away from their home under the auspicious of a new revelation given in these last days depend upon it your damnation is not far off—for lying and cheating, robing, and fucking other men's wives and every girl you get hold of. Adué Smith, remember I told you before.

Monday, Dec. 15, 1884 - Liverpool and London

I received a letter from President F. Schoenfeld written at Bern saying that the District Court of Canton Aargau had sentenced him and Bro. Hochstrasser to the payment of a fine of 260 franks or imprisonment for 45 days and then they were to be banished. He thought a conspiracy had been formed to drive us out of Switzerland. I decided to go there at once. I borrowed £20 from Mr. Ramsden and he gave me a pass to London. I proceeded at once to London and spent the evening with Bro. L. P. Lund and A. Jones. They were both well.

Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1884 - Bern, Switzerland

Pleasant. I found Bros. Schoenfeld, J. A. Smith and several other brethren at the office well. I wrote letters to both of my wives. I visited the Swiss Congress and enjoyed myself very much.

Thursday, Dec. 18, 1884 - Bern, Switzerland

Snow fell during the night. Today I and J. A. Smith called upon U.S. Minister Cramer. He treated us very kindly and informed me that no instructions had been given to him in regard to us. He said he could do nothing for us as the Cantons were independant and he had no power therein. He advised that our brethren just stay away from Aargau. We called upon Professor Koenig, a very learned man in Swiss law. He laughed at the decision of the court but said their decree was final so far as banishment was concerned. He also said that he did not think any of the brethren would be arrested provided they remained out of the Canton Aargau. I decided that the Elders should not go to prison or pay the fine but just take the banishment first. I released Hockstrasser to go home and decided to have Bro. F. Schoenfeld spend a little time in Germany. The brethren all endorsed my decision.

Wednesday, Dec. 24, 1884 - Bern, Switzerland

Bro. F. Schoenfeld had provided a good dinner for all of us at the Emmenthaler Hof and all hands enjoyed it. We held a meeting in the evening. Bros. J. A. Smith, F. Schoenfeld and I did the speaking. I told Bro. Schoenfeld that he and the Elders must obey the Word of Wisdom.

Sunday, Dec. 28, 1884 - Milan, Italy

Slept well. We visited the great Gothic Cathedral. All Marble. Cost one hundred million dollars. The Arcade in the form of a cross the finest in the world. We went to the Art Galary, Ark of Triumphe and Arena. Milan is a grand city. It has a drain around it 14 miles long. We attended services in the Cathedral.

Tuesday, Dec. 30, 1884 - Genoa, Pisa, and Florence, Italy

We left Genoa at 4 a.m. and our route lay along the coast which [is]

high and rocky. The Railway passes through a series of tunnels and the sea and rocks furnish some splendid landscapes.

We reached the Walled City of Pisa about noon. It stands on the banks of the River Arno. We visited the Cathedral and leaning tower.

In the evening we went on to Florence and put up at the Hotel Porta Rosa.

Wednesday, Dec. 31, 1884 - Florence, Italy

Pleasant. We hired a guide and went to the Cathedral and St. Grace, the Grand Art Galery, the Medici Chapel, Michelangelos and Dantes homes and took a fine view of the city from a hill.

Friday, Jan. 2, 1885 - Rome, Italy

We breakfasted and went to Thos. Cook's office and I received the following letter.

Salt Lake City, Utah - Dec.9 - 1884

Prest. John Henry Smith - Liverpool

Dear Brother.

On the morning of Saturday 6th inst. Elder Daniel H. Wells left this city on his way to Liverpool to succeed you in the Presidency of the European Mission, to which he had been previously called and set apart. He will stay a few days in the states visiting friends and then proceed to England. He is alone, preferring to be unaccompanied by any of his family. So soon after his arrival as you may deem consistent with the best interest of the mission, and as is mutually agreeable you are at liberty to return home. The date of your departure we leave entirely to your own good judgement and feelings.

Brother Wells will be able to tell you much that will doubtless be of interest to you and which cannot be so well written with regard to the bitter crusade that is now being waged against the people of the Church of Christ, and kindred subjects.

Were it not that we know in whom we trust we might have some fears for the future, but as it is we realize that he has declared it is his business to take care of his Saints, and we can rest full well assured that he will do it. Trusting that you will have an agreeable and safe journey home to your friends in Zion and with constant prayers for your prosperity and blessing.

We remain with kindest regards your brethren in the Gospel

John Taylor

Geo. Q. Cannon

We visited St. Peter's, the Art Galery of the Vatican, the Colosseum by moonlight. Peculiar feelings pass over me as [we] stand in this old battle ground. We wandered into the old Forum among the broken Walls and Columns and stood in the paved floor. Many old memories were awakened and

there flitted before the mind as through vision the Actors in life's drama on this ground. Silent, solemn and thoughtful we moved along. We returned to our hotel, thankful that the dreams of our youth had been realized in standing in the eternal City.

Saturday, Jan. 3, 1885 - Rome, Italy

Weather fine. We visited many churches and temples, among them St. Pauls and Maggiore and others.

Sunday, Jan. 4, 1885 - Rome, Italy

Weather fine. We visited the Catacombs, Churches of St. John the Lateran, Santa Croce and others.

Monday, Jan. 5, 1885 - Rome, Italy

Pleasant. We went into the hall in St. Peter's. We also visited the Treasury and saw the regalia with which the statue of St. Peter and the priests are decorated on gala days. We passed through the galleries of Paintings and Statuary, said to be the finest Collection in the world. The Vatican has 11,400 rooms.

We saw the Pope who is a sickly looking old gentleman. About thirty persons got down on their knees before him. Our guide told us we had now seen the God of this world.

Today is little Christmas and everybody is buying toys for their children and the people are dressed up in all manner of grotesque costumes.

The Modern City is very fine and the old ruins are grand.

Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1885 - Rome, Italy

Weather fine. We visited Capital Hill and spent an hour in the Museum. We hired a guide and went [to] Palatine Hill and visited the Palaces of the Ceasars.

Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1885 - Naples, Italy

Stormy. We arrived about 7 a.m. and put up at a hotel right in the bay. We took train for Pompei, passed through the ruined City and felt satisfied that God's Judgment was meated out to the people. We hired horses and went to Mount Vesuvius. The latter is burning freely. We were satisfied and returned to our hotel, wet and tired and went to bed.

Saturday, Jan. 10, 1885 - Bologna and Venice

Cold. We left for Venice at 4:40 a.m. and arrived at 10:15 a.m. We went by steamer up the Grand Canal under the Rialto Bridge to the Hotel Monaco De La Place St. Marc.

We went at once to the Campanile and got a fine view of the City. We saw the wonderful clock, the celebrated square, the Cathedral, the Arsnal, the Church of St. John & Paul and the Jesuits church. We also visited a Glass and Lace factory. We took a ride in a gondola and had row with the

boat man who wanted us to pay double what we had agreed upon. We were very active during the day, and tired at night.

Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1885 - Chiasso and Bern, Switzerland

We took train for Bern. The scenery along this route is grand beyond discription, the craggy Peaks partially covered with Snow, the Ice Gorges and trees with rivulets and lakes form scenes never to be forgotten. We reached Bern at 8:30 p.m. and found Bro. J. A. Smith well. I thanked Bros. L. F. Moench, F. M. Lyman, and G. C. Naegle for their company.

Thursday, Jan. 15, 1885 - London

I reached London at 5:15 p.m. I found Bros. L. P. Lund and A. Jones well and spent the evening with them. They told me Josephine had got a boy.

Friday, Jan. 16, 1885 - London and Liverpool

Cold. I went to Euston station and got a ticket for Liverpool, where I arrived at 2:30 p.m. and was met at the station by Bros. D. H. Wells, G. Osmond, H. L. James and C. J. Arthur who welcomed me back. They are all well.

Bro. Wells had arrived here at 1 oclock a.m. on the first day of January. I rode 3,670 miles and walked 150 miles.

Monday, Jan. 19, 1885 - Liverpool

I called upon Mr. George Ramsden and paid him twenty pounds that I had borrowed.

Tuesday, Jan. 20, 1885 - Liverpool

I wrote my valedictory for the Star.

Wednesday, Jan. 21, 1885 - Liverpool

Cold and foggy. I passed a bad night as I coughed very hard. I spent the day writing. We held meetings in the evening and had a very pleasant time. Good feelings were expressed by the Saints for me and regrets that I was going away.

Saturday, January 24, 1885 - Liverpool

I got my things packed and ready to start.

Mr. Ramsden gave us a nice large room, No.s 241 & 2 on the grand steamer the Alaska. About 3:40 p.m. we bid the brethren good by, weighed Anchor and started on our journey. A heavy fog was resting on the River.

Tuesday, Feb. 3, 1885 - Steamship Alaska

The steering gear is broken and we are drifting while efforts are being made by the officers to get her repaired.

Wednesday, Feb. 4, 1885 - Steamship *Alaska*

Every effort has failed and at 7 p.m. signals of distress were hoisted and Rockets sent up. A fire was also built on the stern. About 10 pm. the Lake Winnepeg of the Beaver line came alongside and an agreement entered into by which she is to assist us into port. It took most of the night to get us fastened together with two large Cables running from our stern to the bow.

Friday, Feb. 6, 1885 - Steamship *Alaska*

I finished reading Old Morality. Mr. Henry George of New York presented me with a book written by himself called Social Problems I am reading it. During the evening the sea ran high and some anxiety was felt by passengers as to the two boats remaining together.

Saturday, Feb. 7, 1885 - Steamship *Alaska*

I was awakened from a deep sleep by hearing a cry all hands on Deck. I put my clothes on and went up to see what was the matter and learned that the cables had broken, and that we had parted company with the other boat, although she was following us up some distance away. The sea continues to run high and the wind is very cold. The day proved quite pleasant.

Sunday, Feb. 8, 1885 - Steamship *Alaska*

The wind has gone down and we are again made fast to the Lake Winnipeg.

We reached Sandy Hook too late to cross the Bar, the tide having gone down, so we laid by until morning. 140 pounds was given to the officers and men by the Cabin Passengers.

The Captain says it was the worst weather he ever saw at sea.

Monday, Feb. 9, 1885 - New York Harbor

Cold. C. E. Angell and I went ashore and passed the Customs alright and took luggage to Guion's Offices. I then met several Elders and Sister Wells and son. B. Y. & C. P. Rose and I were in consultation together. It is very hot times in Utah.

Thursday, Feb. 12, 1885 - Whitefield, New Hampshire

Very cold. I called upon my Uncle John and then went to my Uncle Charles who received me kindly and I spent the day with him and had a pleasant time. I received the following telegram

Salt Lake City, Feb. 12th, 1885

John Henry Smith
Care Charles Libbey
Whitefield, N. H.

Thursday, Feb. 19, 1885 - Whitefield, New Hampshire

Cold. I received a letter G. Reynolds. Several brethren are under indictment for Polygamy.

The evening [with Libbey relatives] was spent in discussing my faith. They all talked pretty strong but were cool enough when we got through. This uncle is very hard of hearing. Four of my uncles here are wealthy and two are just comfortable.

Friday, Feb. 20, 1885 - Alderbrook, New Hampshire

My Uncle H. C. Libbey made me an offer to go into the glove business with him, he giving me some stock to take hold of and introduce the gloves in Utah.

Sunday, March 1, 1885 - Whitefield, New Hampshire

I went to the Methodist or rather the Baptist prayer meeting and had a very pleasant time. A very good spirit prevailed.

Tuesday, March 3, 1885 - Whitefield and Alderbrook, New Hampshire

I went round and bid all of my friends good by and took train for Alderbrook, the home of my Uncle Henry Clay Libbey. I found all well. He and I drove to Littleton, N. H. and looked through the Granite State Glove factory. He offered me one thousand dollars in stock for five hundred dollars.

[Visited some relatives of his Aunt Lucy in Massachussets, then returned to Utah after stopping to visit Uncle D. L. Libbey in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.]

Friday, March 27, 1885 - Ogden

I reached Ogden at six p.m. and was met by John F. Gay. I went to my Father in laws home and found Sarah and baby. Josephine is away from home.

Wednesday, April 1, 1885 - Ogden and Salt Lake City

In the evening my wife Sarah and I went home to the City. We found the children at home, all well and pleased to see me. A number of friends called in to see me. John Morgan had a child die today. I went and saw his wife and spent a short time.

Thursday, April 2, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I called upon a number of friends who welcomed me home. Every body seemed much surprised to see me on the street. Terror seems to have seized upon many people over the present raid.

Friday, April 3, 1885 - Logan

Bro. G. Q. Cannon reached home today from Washington. The U.S. Marshall made an effort to capture him but failed. It is said that 20 marshalls from Utah and Idaho are in Logan.

Saturday, April 4, 1885 - Logan [general conference]

At 10 a.m. conference convened and opened with prayer. The speakers during the morning were F. D. Richards, D. H. Cannon, W. W. Cluff, S. S. Smith & N. C. Flygare.

2 p.m. Present on the stand of the Twelve: F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself, and most of the presidents of the stakes.

Sunday, April 5, 1885 - Logan

10 a.m. Conference called to order by F. D. Richards. Prayer by F. M. Lyman. The speakers were J. W. Taylor, H. J. Grant, H. H. Cluff. Benediction by C. O. Card.

2 p.m. Prayer by William Budge. An Epistle from Presidents John Taylor and George Q. Cannon was read before the conference by B. F. Cummings. F. D. Richards spoke awhile and Bro C. O. Card closed.

Thursday, April 9, 1885 - Salt Lake City, Provo, Springville

I took train for Provo City where I met my Mother and Brother and Sister. I then went on to Springville and found Josephine and children well. I spent the day visiting.

Friday, April 10, 1885 - Springville

Pleasant. I drove Josephine and children to Provo in W. H. Groesbeck's Buggy. I spent the day visiting my Mother.

Sunday, April 12, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I attended Sunday School in the 17th Ward and spoke to the children. I went to the Tabernacle and Bro. J. T. Caine and I spoke. Josephine and children came home tonight.

Tuesday, April 14, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I drew \$468.00 from Savings bank belonging to the Estate and took stock in Grant Odell and Co.'s company. I also borrowed \$210.00 from Josephine and one hundred from H. J. Grant. Which gives me \$1,100 paid up stock in the company.

Wednesday, April 15, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day with G. Q. Cannon, F. D. Richards, B. Young, A. Carrington, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, W. B. Preston, J. F. Caine and F. S. Richards. Bro. M. Thatcher gave us the result of his investigations in Mexico and favors the purchase of a large Tract of mountainous country covered with Timber and Grass.

Aunt Lucy is quite sick. Josephine sent word that our boy Nicholas was quite sick. I went to see him.

Wednesday, April 29, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I went over Jordan and grubed willows for part of the day.

I bargained for a light Mitchel wagon \$104.00. I received a box of gloves cost \$23.82 freight \$3.20.

Thursday, April 30, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I spent most of the day with Bro. G. Q. Cannon. He is quite well. I read a letter from H. Dinwoodey and S. W. Sears making some recommendations in regard to the course we should pursue and saying that one Apostle had approved his views. I took it for granted he meant me so I wrote to him telling him that my views were to stand our ground and not run.

Saturday, May 2, 1885 - Heber City

At 2 p.m. a political meeting was held and the document gotten up by the committee appointed at the general conference was endorsed by about six hundred people.

Wednesday, May 13, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I met in Council with Bros. E. Snow, W. Budge, W. B. Preston and A. H. Cannon. We decided to try and get the removal of some of the Officers of Idaho.

Sunday, May 17, 1885 - Rexburg, Idaho [stake conference]

Bro. S. B. Young made some remarks to the people about the organization of a Seventies Quorum, and the people voted to have one.

At 2 p.m. meeting commenced, the Sacrament was administered. The General Authorities were sustained as also the local Authorities. The people of Lyman voted against their Bishop.

I spoke upon a number of subjects and enjoyed a very free spirit.

Monday, May 18, 1885 - Rexburg and Lyman

Bros. Francis C. Gunnell myself and five other brethren went over to Lyman and held meeting. I presented Bp. Weeks to the Saints to be sustained. 14 voted in his favor and 18 against. He resigned and his resignation was accepted. The people voted unanimously to sustain Bro. George Arnold as a presiding priest.

Saturday, May 23, 1885 - Blackfoot, Idaho

Cold. The Cohab cases against the following brethren came up. Bp. George Stuart was sentenced to pay a fine of \$300.00 and four months in the Pen at Boise, J. L. Roberts and W. J. Pratt the same. They made no promise to the Court. Samuel Humphreys was found guilty and sentenced to 6 months and \$300.00 fine but as he took an appeal to the supreme Court of the Territory the Judge admitted him to bail, which he gave, W. D. Hendricks and S. H. Heale being surities. John Winn had his attorney say he was not a

"Mormon" and that he would not live with his second wife any more and he was fined \$300.00. J. Boison had put his second wife away and the Judge suspended sentence during good behavior. Charles Simpson said his wife had left him because he was not a good Mormon and that for the future he would live the law. He was fined \$300.00. W. D. Hendricks and Walker were held over.

Fred Turner and Joe Rich are at Eagle Rock getting affidavits against Judge J. H. Morgan.

Sunday, May 24, 1885 - Blackfoot, Idaho

This evening Judge Morgan got word that an effort was on foot to get him removed, it made quite an excitement in the Federal camp.

Wednesday, May 27, 1885 - Salt Lake City

G. Q. Cannon, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, A. Carrington, J. W. Taylor and I were in Council most all day. J. W. Young was brought under scrutiny. He had written to know whether to come home or not. We told each other own views in regard to him.

Thursday, May 28, 1885 - Salt Lake City

E. Snow, F. D. Richards, A. Carrington, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself met in Council. A letter was written to J. W. Young telling him that he could act his own good will and pleasure by coming home or staying where he is.

Wednesday, June 3, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Very hot. I today gave my note for fourteen hundred dollars to G. H. Taylor for one year at 10 per cent per annum. I gave twenty five hundred dollars in Grant Odell and Co. stock for security. I got one hundred dollars in cash from J. Jack and 34 dollars from my son George. I paid Grant, Odell and Co. \$114.00 on account.

During the evening the following brethren met in Council at G. Q. Cannons farm at 10 p.m. John Taylor, G. Q. Cannon, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, A. Carrington, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, J. Q. Cannon, L. J. Nuttall, George Reynolds and myself. Several other brethren were about the house. Bro. Cannons children sang a hymn for us. Bro. E. Snow opened with prayer.

President John Taylor spoke to us for a short time. Bros. Young and Thatcher reported their trip to Mexico. They had been well treated by all they had met. The Secretaries of state and the interior were very kind and desired our people to move into their country.

Thursday, June 4, 1885 - Salt Lake City

In the evening the following brethren met at Bro. G. Q. Cannon's farm. Prest. J. Taylor, G. Q. Cannon, Elders E. Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Albert Carrington, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J.

Grant, J. W. Taylor, J. Q. Cannon, L. J., Nuttall, George Reynolds and myself and a number of the brethren stood guard outside.

It was decided we would form a colony in Old Mexico by unanimous vote of those present and that delegations should go to the City of Mexico and also to our brethren on the Casa Grande River. Some other items of business were talked over and we returned to our homes, it was 2 a.m.

Friday, June 5, 1885 - Salt Lake City

During the evening and while it was raining hard I drove out to Bro. Hansen's in the Country where the following brethren met in Counsel. John Taylor, G. Q. Cannon, E. Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, A. Carrington, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, John Q. Cannon, L. J., Nuttall, George Reynolds and myself. Other brethren on the outside.

E. Snow, B. Young, & F. M. Lyman were appointed to go to Mexico. H. J. Grant was instructed to offer the City some land on City creek, now owned by the Church for fifty thousand dollars. We adjourned not to meet again until called.

Wednesday, June 10, 1885 - Salt Lake City

After our Council was over Prest. G. Q. Cannon said to Bros. F. D. Richards, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and I that Prest. J. Taylor desired the Apostles to refrain from telling vulgar stories and all light mindedness as it grieved the spirit of the Lord.

Tuesday, June 23, 1885 - Cedar City

I had a long talk with my Sister Mary A. Wimmer. She told me that her husband Peter Wimmer had been cut off from the Church but had been rebaptised but that his Priesthood had not been restored. I told her if she would leave him, I would make an effort to aid her to care for her family. She told me she did not think she could do it.

Thursday, July 2, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Very warm. While working in front of my house this morning cleaning out the water ditch Deputy United States Marshall H. F. Collin put me under arrest for Illegal Cohabitation. Deputies H. Miller and Lindsay Sprague joined him. They subpoenaed my son George A., Wife Sarah, Sarah Arnold, Joseph Groesbeck, Millie Morgan, and John A. Groesbeck. Deputy H. Miller took me to the Marshall's office and from thence to Commissioner McKay's office. Attorney Dixon came in and Joseph Groesbeck, George Albert Smith and Sarah Arnold were examined. The Court took a recess until 4 p.m. Hugh Anderson and Sam Merritt, both Non-Mormons became my sureties. 4 p.m. Court met again. John A. Groesbeck was put on the witness stand and Sarah Arnold again. The Commissioner discharged me. Dixon instructed Collins to hold the witnesses for the Grand Jury. He said he had done so. I

met with Bro. G. Q. Cannon for a short time in the evening. Judge Harkness was my Attorney.

Friday, July 3 - Salt Lake City

Hot. I did not sleep much last night. Josephine, George, and baby went away in a wagon.

Saturday, July 4, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Very Hot. Fire crackers are popping, but few flags are raised. Flags were floating at half mast on many buildings. Much excitement gotten up over the matter. I went to the Theatre in the evening.

Sunday, July 5, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Warm. I went to Farmington and attended meeting at 2 p.m. I spoke on the first principles of the Gospel. I met with the High Council and talked over election matters.

Monday, July 6, 1885 - Morgan County

H. J. Grant and I went to Morgan Co. In the evening we had the Priesthood together and talked over political matters. The brethren felt united.

Tuesday, July 7, 1885 - Coalville

We went on to Coalville and put up with Bro. W. W. Cluff. The people are building an elegant meeting house. The priesthood came together in the evening and talked over the political situation. The Liberal party have three hundred more registered voters than the People's party. It was unanimously decided that either W. E. Park or W. W. Cluff would sit for the Legislature.

Wednesday, July 8, 1885 - Coalville and Park City

Warm. We went by railroad to Park City and from there by stages to Heber City.

We had the Priesthood together and it was decided that A. Hatch was the choice of the people for the Legislature.

Thursday, July 9, 1885 - Heber City to Provo

Cloudy. Mark Jeffs took us in his wagon to Provo City. Bro. H. J. Grant went on to the City. I stopped over and met with the brethren. Legislative matters were talked over and a list of names were agreed upon for Representatives if the choice of the Convention.

Friday, July 10, 1885 - Provo and Nephi

Hot. I went to Nephi today and put up with Jacob Bigler. I met with a number of the brethren in the evening and names were canvassed for the Legislature. Joel Grover was the choice of the brethren for Representative.

Sunday, July 12, 1885 - Spanish Fork and Springville

Bp. G. D. Small drove me over to Springville. It put up at N. H. Groesbeck's, he was at home. Josephine was there.

Wednesday, July 29, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Warm and Sultry. I spent five hours today at Mr. Warnacks talking with my Cousin Joseph Smith of the Reorganized Church. We canvassed a number of points but could not agree.

Thursday, July 30, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Hotter Still. For several days past Deputy Marshalls or spotters have been following in my track. Watson Bros. came and laid out my house and commenced digging for the foundation. I am to pay Watson Bros. \$720 and Romney \$1,150.

Sunday, Aug. 9, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I attended meeting at the Tabernacle. C. W. Stayner, Bro. Bramall and W. Fotheringham and I were the speakers. Bro. Fotheringham had been released from the Penitentiary and came direct to meeting. A feeling of Joy pervaded the congregation when he got up. J. spent two weeks at Aunt Susans.

[Went south for conferences and visited Manti Temple under construction.]

Friday, Aug. 28, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I gave Watson Bros. \$360.00 in credit on the office. I had some visit with Prest. G. Q. Cannon today. He instructed me to get volunteers to go to the San Juan.

Monday, Sept. 7, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I paid Watson Bros. \$360.00 today in a check on Zions Savings Bank for work done on my house. This pays them in full \$720.00 for brick work. My family were not summoned to appear before the grand jury today.

Tuesday, Sept. 15, 1885 - Dry Camp, Uinta County

We drove to Ashley and took dinner with Bp. J. Hatch. I then drove to my sister's, and found all well. I learned the Deputy Marshall had been instructed to search Byron Colton's home for Josephine.

Friday, Sept. 18, 1885 - Ashley, Uinta County

Hot! flies are bad at every house where I have been.

I am thirty-seven years old today.

Sunday, Sept. 20, 1885 - Ashley, Uinta County

Warm. We had a large attendance at the meetings today.

At 12 noon a Priesthood meeting was held at which Bro. A. Hatch and I were the speakers. The brethren voted to be organized into a Stake. They also voted to forgive each other their trespasses.

Monday, Sept. 28, 1885 - Heber City

Pleasant. We learned last night that Bp. John Sharp had resolved to obey the injunction of the Court and live apart from his family. It gave me the heart ache to hear this.

Wednesday, Sept. 30, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. S. N. Sears, & T. O. Angel Jr. went back on their religion before the Court today. Bp. H. B. Clawson was true as steel.

Thursday, Oct. 1, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day about home. I wrote a letter to President Taylor in regard to my trip to Uinta Co. I also asked for a loan of five hundred dollars to complete my house.

I met Bros. E. Snow, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and J. W. Young in Counsel tonight. A Mr. Clemence from New York met with us and tried to negotiate a land claim. I feel a little suspicious of him.

Friday, Oct. 2, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day at home. I went to the Historian Office and met Bros. E. Snow, B. Young, F. M. Lyman and Mr. Clemence. We read Mr. Clemence's grant of land from the Mexican government.

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 1885 - Logan [general conference]

At 10 a.m. the conference was called to order by Elder F. D. Richards. Of the Twelve there were present on the stand F. D. Richards, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself.

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 1885 - Logan

Pleasant. At 10 a.m. conference convened. Prayer by H. J. Grant. Bro. M. Thatcher read a long Epistle from Presidents Taylor and Cannon, warning the saints to be faithfull.

The Twelve met in Council with several brethren from Idaho and talked over the Political Situation in that Territory.

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 1885 - Salt Lake City

At 8 p.m. the following brethren met in Council at the Bishop's Office. G. Q. Cannon, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, M. Thatcher, A. Carington, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, W. B. Preston and I. J. Beck's great Mining Suit was talked over. It was agreed it should be sold if possible, if not we would fight it out.

Friday, Oct. 16, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I called on President Joseph Smith of the Reorganized Church. Most of the day.

Wednesday, Oct. 21, 1885 - Logan

After meeting I drove to the Temple and learned I could not do any work because I had no recommend from my Bishop.

[Went to Idaho for meetings in several cities, returning to Logan, October 31, for Cache Stake conference.]

Sunday, Nov. 1, 1885 - Logan

This makes thirty-eight meetings I have attended in two weeks.

Monday, Nov. 2, 1885 - Logan

Pleasant. I visited the Temple and spent a short time. Bro. F. D. Richards told Bro. M. Thatcher and I that a charge of adultery had been made against Bro. Albert Carrington.

Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Cloudy. Bro. J. W. Taylor, F. D. Richards and I met together and Bro. Richards read to us the evidence against Bro. Carrington and instructed Bro. Taylor and I to hunt up more testimony both for and against him. We did so.

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Bro. J. W. Taylor and I spent the day Searching for evidence.

Thursday, Nov. 5, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Bro. Taylor and I continued our researches.

Friday, Nov. 6, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Snow about 6 inches deep and thawing. G. F. Gibbs and I had an interview with Mary J. Nowlan and Jeanette Paton. The former gave some damaging testimony against Bro. Carrington. The latter was unwilling to say anything. The following members of the Twelve were together this evening in the Historian Office: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, A. Carrington, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, J. W. Young Councillor and myself and G. F. Gibbs met together. Bro. Richard Bridge and wife Sarah K. made a charge of adultery in writing against Br. Albert Carrington. Bro. J. W. Taylor, to whom the complaint was made stated the case and I gave what evidence I had obtained. Bro. A. Carrington got up and Confessed to guilt with Janette Johnson, Ruth Worsdale, and Sarah K. Bridge. All of the brethren but Bro. G. F. Gibbs spoke, and could find no way to do but cut Bro. A. Carrington off from the Church. Bro. W. Woodruff decided that he be cut off and he was sustained by the vote of all present.

Saturday, Nov. 7, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Several of the Twelve met together and talked the case of J. W. Young. In the evening the following brethren met in President John Taylor's office: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, J. H. Smith, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor. J. W. Young was also present and a labor lasting seven hours was taken up with him. He seemed humble and said he would do anything asked by the brethren. He was instructed to put his business in such a shape that he could attend to his religious duties, he said he would do so.

Monday, Nov. 9, 1885 - Salt Lake City

In the evening Bros. W. Woodruff, E. Snow, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, J. H. Smith and H. J. Grant met with Presidents J. Taylor and G. Q. Cannon. Mexican affairs was talked over And Bros. E. Snow, B. Young and F. M. Lyman were instructed to keep an eye on matters in that country.

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 1885 - Salt Lake City

The following notice in the Evening News

Excommunication

Charges having been preferred against Albert Carrington, a full and patient hearing was had before the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, where the following decision was unanimously adopted.

That Albert Carrington be excommunicated from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints for the crimes of Lewd and Lascivious conduct and adultery. W. Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor and Councilor John W. Young.

Thursday, Nov. 19, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Warm, Cloudy. I spent most of the day about home helping the folks to move into the new house.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Deputy Marshalls went to Brigham City this morning and arrested Apostle Lorenzo Snow. O. F. Vandercook led the posse.

Saturday, Nov. 21, 1885 - Salt Lake City

U. S. Marshall Oscar F. Vandercook was arrested this evening by the City Police for Lewd conduct.

Thursday, Nov. 26, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I had all of my family together today and we had a very pleasant time. All are well, for which I thank my Heavenly Father.

Thursday, Dec. 3, 1885 - Salt Lake City

It is very foggy today. I tried to purchase the home of Silas T. Smith. I spent part of the day with Prest. G. Q. Cannon.

Friday, Dec. 4, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I purchased from J. Fewson Smith a mortgage on Silas T. Smith house and lot. Paid \$2,363.33 and one dollar for recording transfer.

Saturday, Dec. 5, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I got from James Jack order in favor Taylor Romney and Armstrong for \$450.00 and One hundred in Cash that I paid to David James and Co. I drew all the money I had in the little Bank \$192.50.

Monday, Dec. 7, 1885 - Salt Lake City

It is snowing and blowing like wrath this morning. I met the City Council and gave testimony that there would be no insurrection among the Mormons. L. Snow, F. D. Richards, H. J. Grant & J. W. Taylor did the same. Some troops came today.

Monday, Dec. 14, 1885 - Provo

I went to Provo and spoke today and returned home in the evening. My daughter Sarah is sick with Diphtheria. I spent the night with her.

Sunday, Dec. 20, 1885 - Salt Lake City

I preached in the Tabernacle in the afternoon and had good liberty, subject first principles of the Gospel. In the evening I went to hear my Cousin, Joseph, the son of the Prophet preach.

Monday, Dec. 21, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Joseph Smith started east this morning. I went to the Railroad station and bid him good bye.

Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1885 - Salt Lake City

N. H. Groesbeck of Springville and family were arrested yesterday morning. He appeared before the Commissioner today and plead guilty and the family were put under bonds to await the action of the Grand Jury.

Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant still. I was busy getting together our Christmas.

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Friday, Dec. 25, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Warm and Cloudy. My family were all together today except my son George. We had a pleasant time. Two Deputy U. S. Marshalls have been hanging about my house today. My family are all well, thanks to my heavenly father.

Thursday, Dec. 31, 1885 - Salt Lake City

Cold and clear. This is the last day of the year 1885 which is one of the most memorable years in the history of the Church. Persecution has been hot, at least fifty of our brethren having been incarcerated in prison [for polygamy].

The harvest has been a bountifull one and the health of the people is good as a rule.

The following members of the board of Grant, Odell and Co. Wagon Co. — H. J. Grant, G. T. Odell, J. Grant, F. M. Lyman, O. Woolley and myself [met]. We found that we did about one hundred and thirty thousand worth of business. Our profits were sixteen thousand dollars. We laid aside two thousand to meet possible losses. We paid fourteen hundred dollars Tithing. Made a reserve of eleven per cent and paid a dividend of ten per cent. We voted one hundred dollars each to J. Grant and G. T. Odell as good will.

Saturday, Jan. 2, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Bro. G. Farnsworth wrote to Bro. A. M. Cannon that a young lady in Mount Pleasant had given out the word there that one of J. H. Smith's wives was in hiding at the place where she had been shopping.

Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Cold. I went by the U.C. train to Ogden. I attended Court and heard the pleas of the Lawyers in Bro. L. Snow's case. It was a great farce and the third trial was much more of a farce, no evidence being given. I spent the evening with Bro. L. Snow and found him cheerfull.

Thursday, Jan. 14, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Stormy. Four of the brethren were arrested yesterday.

I received from the Granite State Glove Co. \$40.00 this morning. I paid D. James \$20.00, Watson Bros. \$20.00. I gave G. H. Taylor credit for \$100.00 on the Tithing Office.

In the evening Bros. G. Q. Cannon, W. Woodruff, Erastus Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and Myself met in Council and we decided that it was best to get rid of the Church property.¹

Saturday, Jan. 16, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow was sentenced by Judge Powers to 18 months in the Penitentiary and \$900.00 fine. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court.

Monday, Jan. 18, 1886 - Nephi

Bro. C. C. Richards and I went to Nephi by train.

At 1 p.m. we met with the Presidency of the Stake, the members of the high Council and the Bishops. We went into an Organization looking to the holding of Church property.

Tuesday, Jan. 19, 1886 - Nephi

The snow is about 15 inches deep here.

The Presidency, high Council and Bishops met at 9:30 a.m. and completed their organization. Bro. C. C. Richards returned to the City and I went on to San Pete.

Friday, Jan. 22, 1886 - Manti

The Presidency, High Council and Bishops met at 9:30 a.m. and incorporated under the law as the Church Association of the Sanpete Stake. Canute Peterson, Henry Beal, J. B. Maiben, Bp. Reid and three other brethren were chosen as Directors.

Monday, Jan. 25, 1886 - Glenwood

At 10 a.m. the Presidency, High Council and Bishops came together. Three meetings were held to perfect an association to be known as the Church

¹Subsequently church property throughout Utah was put into newly formed corporations to avoid seizure by the federal government.

Association of Sevier Stake. A Board was elected and we adjourned until the next day.

Friday, Jan. 29, 1886 - Panguitch

The High Council, Bishops and presidency of the Stake got together and a Church Association was organized.

Thursday, Feb. 4, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I returned to the City and found my family well, my wife [Sarah] having given birth to a daughter on January 22nd.

Friday, Feb. 5, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I blest our baby and named her Nancy Clarabell.

Monday, Feb. 8, 1886 - Logan

We spent the day talking over business matters, M. and G. W. Thatcher, C[harles]. O. Card, H. J. Grant and Myself. We got word of the searching of the Church offices today by U.S. Marshalls.

Sunday, Feb. 14, 1886 - Salt Lake City

The News Papers this morning make the announcement that President G. Q. Cannon had been arrested at Humboldt House, Nevada. I went to President Taylor's office but could learn nothing certain during the day. The newspaper report was believed to be false.

Monday, Feb. 15, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Their is no question now but what Bro. G. Q. Cannon has been arrested. Marshall E. A. Ireland says he has fallen from the train and is badly hurt. A. E. Hyde telegraphed that Bro. Cannon was hurt but not seriously.

Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Bro. G. Q. Cannon is at the promontory and A. E. Hyde is with him. Marshals Ireland and Greenman have him in charge. Bros. Cannon and Hyde telegraphed R. J. Taylor that Ireland was fearful of trouble in Ogden. So I went up to Ogden and stopped overnight. A squad of 27 soldiers came up on a special and went after Bro. G. Q. Cannon.

Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1886 - Ogden and Salt Lake City

At 6 a.m. Marshal Ireland and posse reached Ogden from the Promontory and went on to the City. The Marshall would not let me ride with him. I went down on the freight train. Bro. Cannon was admitted bail, \$45,000.00 being required by the Court.

Bros. F. D. Richards, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself called on Bro. Cannon at his home and found him badly bruised but feeling cheerful.

Tuesday, Feb. 23, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I am some better in my health than for several days. I got two hundred dollars from J. Jack. I paid D. James \$49.80, Richards Bros. & Bowers \$43.00, Watson Bros. \$63.34. I paid Edna Smith \$10.00.

I called upon Prest. G. Q. Cannon and had a short visit with him. He is considerably excited over our getting volunteers for the [colonization of] San Juan County. He desired me to enthuse the brethren and get them to go.

Tuesday, March 9, 1886 - St. George

Pleasant. A Temple Association was Incorporated today.

Friday, March 19, 1886 - St. George

Bro. A[nthony]. W. Ivins took me in his buggy to Leeds where I called upon some relatives. We took dinner and then drove on to Kelseys where we stopped over night. We met some four Wagons loaded with our brethren and sisters on their way to Mexico. I felt bad for them as they were very poorly equipped.

Tuesday, March 23, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I went by rail home and found my family all well. I went and stopped with Bro. F. M. Lyman at Bert Woolleys. He gave me the information that President John Taylor had sold the Coop stock at about Seventy five cents on the dollar and H. J. Grant, F. M. Lyman, J. H. Smith, J. F. Wells, Chas Burton, P. T. Farnsworth, W. H. Rowe and F. Armstrong had bot the lions share of it.

Tuesday, March 30, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I agreed to take five hundred dollars in Stock in the Coop Furniture Co.

Thursday, April 1, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I attended fast meeting and heard the speaking in tongues.

Friday, April 2, 1886

I belong to Syndicate composed of H. J. Grant, J. F. Wells, F. M. Lyman, F. Armstrong, W. H. Rowe, C. Burton, [P. T.] Farnsworth. We have bought some Coop stock.

Tuesday, April 6, 1886 - Provo [general conference]

Both meetings today was taken up in the reading of an Epistle of the First Presidency. It is a strong document and was well read by Bp. O. F. Whitney and Elder J. E. Talmage.²

²The epistle described the church's difficulties as the result of religious persecution. Federal legislation was not aimed solely at polygamy but was designed to "destroy our

Wednesday, April 7, 1886 - Provo and Salt Lake City

I returned home in the evening and met with the Directors of Grant, Odell & Co. The name of the Company was changed to "Deseret Wagon and Machine Co."

[Went to Idaho for conferences, April 23-May 1.]

Wednesday, May 5, 1886 - Ogden and Salt Lake City

New Governor Caleb W. West reached this city this evening. About two hundred ladies and gentlemen went to Ogden to meet him. The company was made up of "Mormon" and Non-Mormons. A speech of welcome was made by Acting Governor Thomas and the Governor responded in a neat little speech.

When the train reached the City and the Governor had gone to the Walker House a large crowd and a band of music followed him and he came out on the balcony and made another neat little speech.

Thursday, May 6, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. The Coop Furniture Company agreed upon their Articles of Incorporation last evening. The Livery Stable Company incorporated today and I signed a Director's bond.

[Went to Idaho for church meetings, May 7-11, returned to Idaho, May 21-31, to look at mining property with J. A. Groesbeck. Spent several days at Horn Silver Mine, Era Alturas County, Idaho.]

Wednesday, June 2, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I spent the day reading in the History of Joseph Smith.

Friday, June 11, 1886 - Salt Lake City

S. B. Young was arrested this morning and got away from the officers.

Monday, June 14, 1886 - Salt Lake City

The Coop Furniture Co. Incorporated today. I am a Director. I was very busy during the day. Six of our brethren were put under bonds.

Tuesday, June 15, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I intended to start on a visit to Colorado today but received a letter from Prest. J. Taylor requesting me to go South in company with I. M. Waddell.

rights as citizens, to take away from us our liberties under the Constitution and laws, and to obtain the political control of our country, so that, being as voiceless in the affairs of government as the Indians or Chinese, we could be taxed and plundered with impunity and be lorded over by a set of political harpies who would revel and fatten at our expense" (*Deseret News Semi- Weekly*, April 9, 1886).

Monday, June 21, 1886 - Salt Lake City

The brethren met today and Incorporated Temple Company and also a Stake Company to hold Church property. The Saints by vote authorized ordered the parties holding Church property to deed the same to the respective corporations to which it should go.

I offered the Dedicatory prayer at the new Social Hall. I also attended the Theatre in the evening.

Monday, June 28, 1886 - Ephraim and Manti

Warm. Bro. C. Peterson and I went to Manti and the brethren Incorporated a company to hold Church property. A meeting was held in the evening ordering the transfer of the Temple and other property. I spoke a few moment[s].

Wednesday, June 30, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day about home writing to President J. Taylor in answer to one from him containing one from President A. O. Smoot calling me in question for reconfirming upon F. Beers his former blessings

Monday, July 5, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I drove my children in a buggy over Jordan [River]. I arranged with Bro. Williams to cut my hay at \$1.50 per acre.

I drove the children about in the evening to see the fire works.

Wednesday, July 7, 1886 - Beaver

We went by stage to Minersville and Bro. Edwin Eyre took us to Beaver. We stopped with Bro. J. R. Murdock. The Presidency, High Council and Bishops met and Incorporated a Company to hold Church property.

Thursday, July 8, 1886 - Parowan

Bro. J. R. Murdock took me and Bro. Waddell in his wagon to Buck Horn Springs. We had a pleasant visit but about two miles from the spring the hind wheel of the wagon broke down and it turned over. Bro. Murdock got under but was not hurt and Bro. Wadell and I got out all safe. Bro. Murdock got on the Horse and went to the Springs and met Bro. Miller from Parowan who came and got us and took us to Parowan, Bro. Murdock going back home.

The Presidency, High Council and Bishops met and organized and Incorporated a Company to hold Church property.

Saturday, July 10, 1886 - Panguitch

The brethren here met and Incorporated. I attended a Priesthood meeting and talked to the brethren a little.

Monday, July 12, 1886 - Panguitch and Beaver

Sheriff Pace took us to Beaver where meeting was held in the evening. I spoke the entire time on the subject of Marriage and had good liberty.

Wednesday, July 14, 1886 - Fillmore

We Incorporated a Church Association today. I had a short visit with my father's only Sister.

Wednesday, July 21, 1886 - Salt Lake City and Provo

I went to Pleasant Grove and had a talk with F. Beers and then went on to Provo. I met with the High Council in the evening and I explained to them my position in Regard to Bro. Beers and that what I had done was upon the recommend of Bp. J. Brown. This seemed to satisfy the brethren. The doctrine of reconfirming upon him his former blessings they seemed to feel bitter over but they gradually began to see it. We adjourned to meet Monday 26th.

Thursday, July 22, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I returned to the City but on the way called at Pleasant Grove and had a visit with Bro. F. Beers.

H. J. Grant, P. T. Farnsworth, J. F. Wells, Charles Burton, W. H. Rowe and myself met together over business matters and agreed to take a thousand dollars Herald stock from H. J. Grant.

Saturday, July 24, 1886 - Minersville and Beaver

Bedbugs fearfully active. We drove to Beaver City and attended two meetings and a Political meeting in the evening. It was considered very fair.

Monday, July 26, 1886 - Provo

I returned to Provo, stopping at Springville for two hours.

I met with the brethren of the high Council, Bp. J. Brown and Frank Beers present. Beers trouble was all talked over and he asked forgiveness and was forgiven by all. The brethren took my explanation and freed me from blame by vote.

Friday, July 30, 1886 - Salt Lake City

The Grand Army of the Republic have been holding Campfires and in their speech making they have been very loud mouthed against the Mormons. In the evening Bro. H. J. Grant and I went to Tooele and spent the evening with F. M. L. [Francis M. Lyman]. We found him well and hearty.³

³Francis M. Lyman and other church leaders were hiding from the U.S. marshal to avoid arrest for unlawful cohabitation, and John Henry was not sure whether he would soon have to do so. On May 4, 1886, he wrote to "Jason Mack," a pseudonym for Joseph F. Smith: "It is very probable that some of our leading brethren are in as much danger

Saturday, July 31, 1886 - Tooele and Grantsville

Bro. C. R. McBride took Bro. H. J. Grant and his mother and me to Grantsville.

Conference convened at 10 a.m. but few people present.

Bro. Grant and I both spoke in the afternoon. The bishops reported.

The Mutual Improvement Associations made an effort to have a meeting in the evening but failed.

Tuesday, Aug. 3, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day writing. I received a letter from Prest. J. Taylor asking me to take charge of affairs until Bro. F. D. Richards had his outing.

Friday, Aug. 6, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Historian Office.

I married Dorr P. Curtis and Sister Peck today. In the evening I took train for Park City and a young Bro. Watson took me in his buggy to Heber City. I put up with Prest. A. Hatch.

Saturday, Aug. 7, 1886 - Heber City

It rained all day.

Conference Convened at 10 a.m. but few people present. Several of the brethren spoke. I spoke morning, afternoon and evening. Two brethren were ordained High Priests and three men set apart to preside over the Mutual Improvement Associations.

Friday, Aug. 13, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. Bro. J. W. Taylor went up to Idaho on business today. In talking over his going last evening Bro. H. J. Grant and I felt he should not go but neither of [us] spoke to Bro. J. W. Taylor about it.

Saturday, Aug. 14, 1886 - Coalville

Bro. H. J. Grant went to Logan and I to the Coalville Conference. Bro. Andrew Jenson went with me. We met with the Priesthood in the evening

from the courts as I am but I cannot as yet bring myself to feel to get out of the way. It is true, I have some outsiders who are personally my warm friends and will do all they can for me and the Lord no doubt has used them to protect me at least for the time being until others may be able to enjoy their freedom." On July 28 he wrote again in the same vein: "I feel that if it becomes necessary for me to run the Lord will use some of these fellows to look out. When I was before the commissioner last year he told me that the outsiders did not want me put in prison. So they may lull me to sleep and come and take me away." Letters located in John Henry Smith Letterpress Books, Special Collections, Marriott Library, University of Utah, Salt Lake City.

Church officials routinely used pseudonyms for each others in their written correspondence during periods of persecution. For example, see the use of "West Lake" for Matthias F. Cowley in the entry dated January 1, 1905.

and talked over the defense fund, building of the meeting house, and assisting of the Elders to go on missions.

Monday, Aug. 16, 1886 - Coalville, Ogden, Salt Lake City

Bro. A. Jensen and I returned home. At Ogden I met and was introduced to Judge [Charles S.] Zane by Rev. Iliff, Pastor of the Methodist Church. I went to the Office and attended to business.

Tuesday, Aug. 17, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I received a Telegram from my Uncle H. C. Libbey saying he would be in the City tomorrow. I spent the day at the office.

Wednesday, Aug. 18, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I went to Ogden and met my Uncle. He was not well.

I showed him about a little in the afternoon.

Thursday, Aug. 19, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I visited with Uncle and Aunt about the City.

Sunday, Aug. 22, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I went to the Tabernacle with my Uncle and aunt. Arthur Stayner and Bp. O. F. Whitney were the speakers.

Friday, Aug. 27, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I drove out to Winders farm and there met Prest. John Taylor, George Q. Cannon, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, W. B. Preston, H. B. Clawson, L. J. Nutall and myself. It was agreed that the bond of George Q. Cannon should be paid. The Beck and Bullion Mine business was taken up and after a free discussion of the matter the brethren consented for President Taylor to guarantee the parties to the tune of one hundred thousand dollars. Who should become bondsmen. All of the Brethren expressed themselves as opposed to mining but the President. I gave some little offense to my brethren by my candid expression of my feelings about the bond business.⁴

⁴The Bullion and Beck mine business was to plague church leaders, resulting in misunderstandings and bad feelings, for years to come. President John Taylor and his counselor, George Q. Cannon, originally invested with John Beck in the Bullion Beck silver mine at Eureka and consecrated part of the stock, supposedly in response to a revelation, for worthy purposes. Apostles Moses Thatcher and Marriner W. Merrill, among others, purchased smaller amounts of the stock and consecrated most of it for worthy purposes to be designated by Taylor. Subsequently there were disputes over some claims with a neighboring mining company, and some wealthy California investors with economic and political connections to Utah were brought in to settle the claims and to save the company. Before Taylor's death he conveyed control of the consecrated stock to George Q. Cannon with control over its use. This, along with questions regarding the rights of the California investors, angered Apostle Thatcher, and during the next three years there are frequent references in several apostles' diaries to the bitterness of feeling

Saturday, Aug. 28, 1886 - Salt Lake City

F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and I came to the conclusion to start a home Insurance Company.

F. M. Lyman goes north.

The Officers of the law are very active just now.

I have concluded to go to Colorado.

Monday, Aug. 30, 1886 - on train to Colorado

Pleasant. At 1:05 p.m. my Uncle H. C. Libbey and Wife and I left for Denver, Col. We took sleeping births. I enjoyed the Ride very much and had a very pleasant time.

Thursday, Sept. 2, 1886 - Denver

We spent the day visiting about the City.

I bid my Uncle and Aunt good by at 8:30 p.m. for Manassa. Uncle and Aunt left for home at 9:55 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 6, 1886 - Manassa, Colorado

A Mr. Henry representing a syndicate owning land and water rights in this valley spent the day with us. He wants to make sales or leases of land to our people. He is or will [make] out written propositions to us.

I made a few calls upon relatives.

In the evening President Smith, Dalton and myself drove to Ephraim. We took supper with Bro. H. K. Coray.

We held meeting and I spoke one hour and ten minutes on our guarding our children from small vices.

between Thatcher and Cannon. Some of the other apostles also were concerned about the power wielded by Cannon in the waning months of John Taylor's life and about Cannon's supposed ambition to become president of the church (despite the fact that he was not next in the line of succession).

The Bullion Beck affair and the questions surrounding it fueled doubts about Cannon, alienated Thatcher, and promoted dissension within the Quorum of the Twelve. Eventually the consecrated stock they had purchased was returned to Thatcher and the other small investors and the mine was reorganized with Thatcher as president. George Q. Cannon tendered his share of stock to President Lorenzo Snow in 1899 "to be held by him for the purpose designed in the Revelation" (see John Henry Smith diary, April 27, 1899). There are numerous references in Heber J. Grant's, Abraham H. Cannon's, and other apostles' diaries to the Bullion Beck matter. See, for example, Abraham H. Cannon diary, January 28, 1891, Special Collections, Marriott Library, University of Utah, in addition to the entries for April 19 and 27, 1899, in John Henry's diary. A good discussion of the incident is Edward Leo Lyman, "The Alienation of an Apostle from his Quorum: The Moses Thatcher Case," *Dialogue: A Journal of Mormon Thought* 18 (Summer 1985): 67-91.

Wednesday, Sept. 8, 1886 - Pueblo and Denver

I awakened to find myself here [in Pueblo] when I expected to be in Denver. The storm had washed out the road bed and we were delayed about nine hours. I dreamed my daughter Sarah had died. I got to Denver at 2 O'clock and put up at the American.

I was introduced to U.S. Senator [Henry M.] Teller today by a Mr. Sanger.

Sunday, Sept. 19, 1886 - Salt Lake City

This afternoon my son Chase and Harry Whitaker were playing and the latter got his hand mashed and Dr. J. Richards cut it off.

Tuesday, Sept. 21, 1886 - Salt Lake City

The Home Insurance Company was organized tonight.

Friday, Sept. 24, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Bro. Heber J. Grant and I called upon Albert Carrington and found him very feable. He expressed an earnest desire to have the privilege of rebaptism and said he was willing to do whatever may be required of him. Bro. Grant and I felt a little diferently about his case. We wrote to Bro. Woodruff, giving him the result of our visit.

I set apart J. W. McMurrin and wife for a mission to England.

Friday, Oct. 1, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I called and saw Jannet Peyton and talked over her trouble with Albert Carrington. I called upon Bro. Carrington and talked with him about Sister Peyton. He felt to do anything he could for her.

Thursday, Oct. 7, 1886 - Coalville [general conference]

At 7 p.m. a Priesthood meeting was held. Defense fund was the talk. A good Spirit prevailed.

Friday, Oct. 8, 1886 - Coalville [general conference]

Pleasant. At 10 a.m. Conference again in session. After Singing and Prayer Bros. F. D. Richards, H. J. Grant and Myself were the speakers. H. M. Wells read part of the Epistle of the first Presidency.

1:30 p.m. Sacrament was administered, the Authoraties Sustained, the Epistles read and Bro. Richards spoke, when the Conference adjourned. Benediction by Patriarch John Smith. Most of the people returned to their homes.

Saturday, Oct. 9, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. Bro. E. D. Woolley, Manager, and Myself borrowed \$4,000.00 dollars of the Savings Bank and are to put up as security that amount of Kanab Cattle Ranch stock and six hundred Kanab Coop Store Stock.

Monday, Oct. 11, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Showery. The Gas board met and declared a dividend of two percent.

The Directors of the Home Insurance Co. met and talked over what risks they would take. I signed a note for \$10,000.00 dollars at the Deseret Bank today, giving \$15,000.00 Coop stock as security. Interest at 7% annum.

Friday, Oct. 15, 1886 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

I was at the Historian and Insurance offices during the morning hour.

In the afternoon I drove my team to Ogden, Sarah and Winslow going with me. I found our friends well. I was five hours driving up.

Saturday, Oct. 16, 1886 - Ogden [stake conference]

Conference convened at 10 a.m. but few people present.

Several of the Bishops spoke and gave spirited and earnest Counsel.

I spoke all of the time and enjoyed good liberty during the afternoon.

Wednesday, Oct. 20, 1886 - Ogden and Salt Lake City

Cold. I drove home to the City, only stopping at Farmington to get some dinner.

Thursday, Oct. 21, 1886 - Salt Lake City and Richmond

I visited with my family today and got ready to go to Franklin, Idaho.

I telegraphed Fred Turner I would meet him at Logan. I got a telegram from George Benson to go to Richmond and I said I would. I went by train and found F. M. Lyman at the home of G. D. Hendricks. We spent the evening visiting.

Friday, Oct. 22, 1886 - Richmond, Cache County

In the evening a number of the brethren met at the house of President Hendricks and talked over the situation in Idaho and came to the conclusion our people could not vote in that Territory. Bro. F. M. Lyman and I gave some instructions in regard to duties in the Priesthood.⁵

Tuesday, Oct. 26, 1886 - Richmond and Smithfield

Pleasant. Lyman, Penrose and myself talked over the situation in Idaho. I bid the brethren good by and went by train to Smithfield. I put up at James Macks. Bro. J. Meikle and I went out for a buggy ride.

In the evening I spoke to a crowded house and had splendid liberty.

⁵In Idaho, a test oath was required for voting; this effectively disfranchised all members who continued to live in plural marriage. By disavowing all but the legal wife, they could vote.

Thursday, Oct. 28, 1886 - Logan and Salt Lake City

Bro. Wolf took me in his wagon to Logan where I called upon Joseph Wilson, Fred Turner and M. Thatchers family. I went by train home and found all well. I spent the evening with Bro. F. D. Richards. We set Bro. F. F. Hintze apart for a mission to Turkey.

Friday, Oct. 29, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I spent the day about home. I wrote to President Taylor about A. Carrington.

I went to Logan and put up with J. Wilson.

Saturday, Oct. 30, 1886 - Logan [stake conference]

2 p.m. at meeting again. Two brethren spoke and a Resolution was read and adopted instructing or requesting the Holders of Church property to deed it [to] the Church Incorporation.

7 p.m. a Priesthood meeting was held. I spoke on the fast. Bro. F. D. Richards spoke on the same subject and also in regard to the defense fund.

Bro. John W. Taylor was with us during the afternoon hour, he having come down from Idaho where he has been indicted for insurrectionary talks. He did not meet with us in the evening.

Sunday, Oct. 31, 1886 - Logan

Cloudy. Conference at 10 a.m. Bro. J. W. Taylor took all of the morning hour. His sermon was a peculiar medley of humor, pathos, narrative, and testimony.

Monday, Nov. 8, 1886 - Salt Lake City

We returned to the City and I was busy about town. I finished paying for my single harness. I paid \$17.50 watter tax. I paid G. G. Bywater for fixing my watch. I paid Tom Little three dollars for painting roof to shed. I paid Z.C.M.I. \$70.00 in an order. I endorsed a thousand dollars in Kanab Cattle herd stock over to Zion's Savings bank for money borrowed. The evening I spent at home.

Wednesday, Nov. 10, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Muddy under foot. I met Bp. W[illiam]. B. Preston and T. E. Ricks and had a visit with them. Some of the members of the Fire Insurance board met and talked over affairs. I signed a bond as President of the Kanab Stock herd. The Directors of the Coop Wagon and Machine Co. met in evening and found there business prospering.

[Went to Idaho, November 12-19, for stake conferences and meetings in various wards.]

Wednesday, Nov. 17, 1886 - Parker and Brighton, Idaho

Bro. Arnold Miller took us to Brighton where we held meeting.

Mary Elanor Hiatt was set apart to be a midwife.

Thursday, Nov. 18, 1886 - Lewisville and Eagle Rock, Idaho

Bro. J. Stevens took Bro. R. L. Bybee and myself to Lewisville where at 10 a.m. we held meeting, both of us speaking. We took dinner with Bp. K. Jardine and he took us to Eagle Rock in his wagon. I put up with J. B. Thatcher Jr. Meeting was held at 7 p.m., a full congregation present. I spoke for an hour on the Word of Wisdom [health code]. It seems that word had leaked out a Bishop was to be ordained and two letters were written to me objecting [to] the parties named. I adjourned the meeting, granting time for any to withdraw who might desire to do so. Our meeting was again opened with prayer and I read from the Doctrine and Covenants whose right it was to nominate a Bishop.

I put each man separate and two received a unanimous vote and four votes were given against Wm. Thomas on the ground that too many of a kind would not work good together. A good spirit prevailed. I gave the parties some instruction and then Bro. R. L. Bybee and I laid our hands upon the heads of them and ordained them, I being mouth in each case.

Monday, Nov. 22, 1886 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

I spent the day about the City. I went to Ogden by the evening train. A jury was got in L. Farr case.

Tuesday, Nov. 23, 1886 - Ogden

[At trial of Lorin Farr, Sarah's father, for unlawful cohabitation.]

The forenoon was spent in examining Witnesses. Nancy and Anne were on the stand. I went to the Court in Afternoon. Several more witnesses were examined. S. R. Thurman, P. H. Emmerson and Kimball were father Farr's attorneys.

Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1886 - Ogden

The day was spent in examining witnesses and in the speeches of the attorneys. The jury returned after the Judge had given a severe charge which plainly showed that he desired the defendant convicted. The jury came in twice for instructions and after being out for about six hours brought in a verdict of Not Guilty. The crowd being overjoyed shouted for joy and the Judge fined two of them five dollars each. Judge Henderson displayed the utmost fairness in all of his rullings until he gave his charge to the jury.

Saturday, Nov. 27, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I drove over Jordan and the snow quite deep and only part of my land plowed.

Sunday, Nov. 28, 1886 - Provo

I went to Provo and attended Conference. Jacob Gates, J. W. Taylor, H. J. Grant, A. O. Smoot and I were the speakers. The house was well filled. A vote was taken to sustain the prohibition law.

Thursday, Dec. 2, 1886 - Payson and Salt Lake City

I returned to my home and learned that B. H. Roberts had been arrested. Grant, Wells and myself talked the matter over.

Friday, Dec. 3, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day in the City attending to business. B. H. Roberts skipped by the light of the moon. He has gone to England. I set him apart for a mission.

Monday, Dec. 6, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I got a hundred dollars from H. J. Grant. I paid Dr. J. Richards \$17. I paid Coop Furniture Interest \$10.00 on account \$10.00 and \$40.00 for a desk. I paid \$14.00 for hauling hay.

Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1886 - Salt Lake City

The Gas board met and declared a dividend of 2 percent. Ellerbeck paid me \$25.00 for services.

I called on Thomas Edwards. I went and blest and named the dying baby of Frank Kimball. I took supper at W. Groesbeck's.

H. J. Grant and I are to start for St. George tomorrow. I wrote letters to J. F. Smith and Bp. Secrist.

Wednesday, Dec. 8, 1886 - Milford

H. J. Grant and I went [by] train to Milford and stopped over night at E. Tanner's.

Thursday, Dec. 9, 1886 - en route to St. George

We paid \$6.00 dollars each for fare to St. George.

At Minersville Deputy U. S. Marshall Subpoened me to appear as a witness before the Grand jury at Beaver on the fifteenth. He said he did not know on what case. I wrote to P. T. Farnsworth to get it delayed until the 18th but he said the Prosecutor said it could not be done.

We stopped at Bp. Lunt's overnight.

Friday, Dec. 10, 1886 - Cedar City and St. George

Stormy. We went on through to St. George. I put up with my Uncle J. L. Smith. H. J. Grant with his Cousin A. W. Ivins.

Sunday, Dec. 12, 1886 - St. George

Conference at 10 a.m. Some reports were read and Bro. Grant and I both spoke. In the p.m. the General and local authorities were sustained

and Bros. D. McArthur, H. J. Grant and I spoke. E. G. Woolley was ordained a High Priest and set apart for an Alternate in the High Council. Another young brother was set apart for a Councillor to A. W. Ivins in the Mutual improvement Association.

Bro. H. J. Grant, J. T. D. McAllister, W. Woodruff and I spent the evening together.

President E. D. Woolley and E. F. Sheets came from Kanab. Woolley is in trouble over branding a cow.

Thursday, Dec. 16, 1886 - Beaver and Parowan

I went to the Court house and shortly after was before the Grand Jury. They wanted to know in regard to Bp. Thomas Taylor case. I told them I knew nothing about it only by hearsay. They gave me a warrant for \$7.00 and discharged. I telegraphed to H. J. Grant, my wife, Sarah F. and Morgan Richards. I got answer, all were well at home.

Bro. R. W. Heybourne and I got ready to start to Parowan. Word was just received that U. S. Marshall Thompson had shot and badly wounded E. M. Dalton. We drove through to Parowan and found that Dalton was dead and that Thompson was under arrest. I went and saw Marshalls Thompson and Orton and the latter told me in regard to the case. He says he called three times and Thompson twice for Dalton to halt, that he did not try to run but was shot without really any chance to surrender. Dalton had no arms and was in his short sleeves. He died in about forty five minutes after he was shot.

He was shot in the side above two ribs and a little back, the shot ranging up.

I find my sister Mary quite well. The whole town is excited, but deliberate. A posse of about 25 men came from Beaver.

Friday, Dec. 17, 1886 - Parowan

The posse returned to Beaver during the night, taking Thompson with them. I bought a bolt of cotton cloth 14 yds. double width goods and 1 1/2 yds. Flannel for my sister Mary.

Saturday, Dec. 18, 1886 - Parowan

Conference convened at 10 a.m. Some of the Bishops reported and I spoke a little while. The Conference adjourned until Sunday at 10 a.m.

2 p.m. the people met and the funeral of Edward M. Dalton was opened by singing and prayer. Bro. Morgan Richards spoke and I followed for about forty minutes. After singing and prayer some 53 vehicles and about three hundred and fifty people followed the remains to the grave. Thus another Martyr is laid away in the tomb. Bro. Watson dedicated the grave.

In the evening a Priesthood meeting was held and I spoke a long

while. Peter Wimmer had his Priesthood restored by me, the people having voted that he was entitled to the priviledge.

Sunday, Dec. 19, 1886 - Parowan

Conference convened at 10 a.m. and after singing and prayer some of the brethren spoke and I followed on the apostacy for 30 minutes. I went to Dinner with Bro. Holeyoke. 2 p.m. at meeting the Authorities were sustained and Sacrament administered. I spoke on the first principles of the Gospel for one hour.

I took supper with Bro. Morgan Richards and then went with Bro. J. Armstrong to Enoch where I stopped overnight.

Saturday, Dec. 25, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I had all of my family together today and we had a pleasant time. Ben E. Rich and wife came down from Ogden.

Monday, Dec. 27, 1886 - Salt Lake City

Warm and pleasant.

I spent the day writing letters. Bro. H. B. Smith called in to see me in regard to the milk business. He is in trouble as the Church is now milking its own cows and supplying the public hands.

Tuesday, Dec. 28, 1886 - Provo

Pleasant. I went to Provo on a visit to my mother, taking my sons Winslow and Nicholas with me. We passed a very pleasant day. U. S. Marshal Dyer and Rensch [?] came from Beaver with Bro. Thurber and two men, father and son, on their way to the Penitentiary. Two other prisoners were with them.

I was introduced to the Marshall and found him a pleasant fellow to talk to. I also conversed with the brethren in regard to being good and faithfull in the midst of trial.

Thursday, Dec. 30, 1886 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the City.

In the evening the Directors of the Coop Wagon & Machine Co. held a meeting and decided to declare a ten percent cash dividend, a five percent stock dividend, to shrink the values of our buildings three thousand dollars, to put six thousand dollars into the contingent fund and pay sixteen hundred dollars tithing. The Ogden house scarcely paid its way.

Saturday, Jan. 1, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I spent the afternoon and evening at John Morgans and had a pleasant time. Quite a large company present.

Thursday, Jan. 6, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I took my children to fast meeting. I afterward attended the funeral of Sister Jensen.

Monday, Jan. 10, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day writing letters. In the evening stock holders in the Coop Wagon Co. met and confirmed the action of the board in declaring dividends.

Thursday, Jan. 13, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I have done but little for a number of days, only visit with my family and write letters. Yesterday afternoon the Tucker Edmunds bill [Edmunds-Tucker Act] passed the House of Representatives by a almost unanimous vote.⁶

The liberals [Liberal Party members] here are jubilant and the Saints quiet and easy.

Friday, Jan. 14, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I had a short visit with W. B. Preston and talked over the Mexican purchase. He thinks it is a good one.

Saturday, Jan. 15, 1887

The following members of the firm of Armstrong, Farnsworth and Co. met at H. J. Grant and Co.'s office and decided that their Coop Stock was worth one hundred cents on the dollar. We have five thousand dollars in the safe that is released and other credits. The parties present were F. Armstrong, P. T. Farnsworth, H. J. Grant, J. F. Wells, W. H. Rowe, C. Burton and myself.

Sunday, Jan. 16, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I was at home until evening, when I went to the 17th Ward meeting and spoke for about 50 minutes.

Monday, Jan. 17, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Insurance office most of the day.

In the evening F. D. Richards, W. B. Preston, J. W. Taylor, H. J. Grant and myself met in Council and wrote a letter to President J. Taylor advising the sale of all property liable to be gobbled by the government.

⁶The Edmunds-Tucker Act of 1887 essentially strengthened the Morrill Anti-Bigamy Act of 1862 as amended by the Edmunds Act of 1882. The Edmunds-Tucker Act made polygamy prosecutions easier by requiring registration of all marriages; prescribed a comprehensive test oath that would prohibit polygamists from voting, holding office, and serving on juries; and abolished woman suffrage. It also dissolved the Perpetual Emigrating Fund Company and the Corporation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, placing their assets into receivership (much church property had already been assigned to local organizations or private individuals in anticipation of the passage of this legislation).

Tuesday, Jan. 18, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I was about the City attending to business. The Directors of the Gas Co. met and agreed to get a contract from the City for five years if possible. F. Armstrong, T. W. Ellerbeck, J. Jack and myself were present. We afterwards met with the Committee on Improvements of the City Council and talked over the Contract business.

Wednesday, Jan. 19, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. The following brethren met in Council. G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, H. J. Grant, F. D. Richards, J. W. Taylor, W. B. Preston, A. M. Cannon, LeGrand Young, A. Miner, George Reynolds, J. Jack and myself. The condition of the Church property was talked over but no decision was arrived at. Jno. Sharp goes to Washington leaving Friday.

Thursday, Jan. 20, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I examined some of the Titles to Church property. I attended the funeral of Jno. P. Horne and spoke 18 minutes. J. W. Taylor, A. M. Cannon, H. J. Grant and G. H. Taylor also spoke. We had company at J. [Josephine's?] The board of Directors of the Coop Furniture Co. met and declared a dividend, 7 per cent in cash for past 7 months and four percent stock dividend.

[Attended conferences in Nephi, January 22-24, Franklin, Idaho, January 28-31, and Logan, February 5-6.]

Monday, Feb. 7, 1887 - Logan

I spent the day visiting. The R.R. trains are blocked in the Snow on the U. & N.R.R. A Telegram was received from Washington saying the Supreme Court had decided in favor of L. Snow. This will turn him and Several other brethren out of prison.⁷

Tuesday, Feb. 8, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I returned home today. Bros. L. Snow and N. H. Groesbeck got out of prison today. I spent the evening at John Groesbeck's. All of the brothers and sisters were together.

Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Aunt Lucy is Seventy years old today. We had quite a number of the Smith family together at my house and had a pleasant time.

⁷ Apostle Lorenzo Snow had been sentenced to prison for polygamy, three charges having been brought against him. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the lower courts had arbitrarily separated one charge into three—segregating one offense into several—and reversed judgment in Snow's favor.

Friday, Feb. 11, 1887 - Salt Lake City to Blackfoot, Idaho

I went by train to Blackfoot, Bingham Co. Idaho and was joined on the way by R. S. Spence of Paris, Bear Lake. We put up at the hotel.

Saturday, Feb. 12, 1887 - Blackfoot

We went to the County Court house and got the names of our brethren confined in the Detrou house of Corrections, also a Copy of the Commitment. We found steps would have to be taken to secure their release in the district where they were imprisoned. I telegraphed to F. S. Richards that Habeus Corpus would not lie in Idaho.

Sunday, Feb. 13, 1887 - Blackfoot

The trains on the U. & N.R.R. are badly demoralized by snow blockades. We got onto a Caboose and went to Pocatello where I got a train for home.

Monday, Feb. 14, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I traveled all night and got home this morning. All are well. L. Farr came down from Ogden, bringing me a pass to California from Leland Stanford.

Wednesday, Feb. 16, 1887 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

I got two hundred dollars from J. Jack. At 4 p.m. I went to Ogden by train and at six or seven p.m. L. Farr and daughter Mamie and myself and Wife went in a Palace Car and started for San Francisco.

Saturday, Feb. 19, 1887 - San Francisco

The day was principally spent in anxiety waiting for the New Zealand steamer to arrive. In the evening she was sighted but owing to storms she remained outside the bay. We spent the evening at S. N. Sears.

Sunday, Feb. 20, 1887 - San Francisco

The steamer reached the pier at 8 a.m. and Sister Bell Farr Sears was on board but quite poorly.

We visited Woodard's Garden and from there we went to S. W. Sears and took dinner and spent the evening.

Friday, March 4, 1887 - Los Angeles

We got here at 8 a.m. and put up at the Pico House. We hired a Carriage and drove to Pasadena, which is a lovely spot made up of orange groves, vineyards and ornamental trees with nice residences. We also went to San Gabriel, visited the Wine Cellars of Major Rose and all took a drink but me. We visited the old Cathedral and then drove back to the City, having traveled about 20 miles. We went to the Theatre in the evening and saw Edwin Booth play Shylock in the Merchant of Venice and Petruchio in the

Taming [of] the Shrew. The plays were well done and the building is a very nice one.

The Edmunds Tucker bill became law under [?] act.

Saturday, March 5, 1887 - Los Angeles and San Bernardino

We took train for San Bernardino. About five miles out we came very near coliding with another train, having a very narrow escape from being smashed up.

We went on to our destination and put up at the Starkie house. We went on top of the Court house and took a look over the Country.

San Bernardino is on the Ranch once owned by C. C. Rich and A. M. Lyman and is the finest that I have seen in the state. It now has a population of about six thousand people. I saw some of the remains of A. M. Lyman's old home.

Saturday, March 12, 1887 - San Francisco

Foggy and cold. I got fifty dollars from Tom A. Grant. I called upon some old time friends and [had] a pleasant visit. In returning to the hotel I came down Dupont Street, the heart of the Demimond of the City and was astonished at the brazen effrontery of the girls.

Tuesday, March 15, 1887 - San Francisco

Pleasant. We went out to South San Francisco and went through the Sugar Refinery. It is the second largest in the United States.

I went in company with Bros. Rollop and Horrocks with a guide through China town and found it a very fascinating place. We were in the Theatre Josh house or Joss house in the opium dens, gambling houses and sleeping rooms. They are huddled together like sheep and the officer said they were all thieves. China Town is located in the old city and it is a dirty, filthy place.

I saw more evidences of sexual wickedness in San Francisco than I had seen before in all of my life. We paid our bills this evening.

Monday, March 21, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I was in Council all day with G. Q. Cannon, F. D. Richards, LeGrand Young and F. S. Richards. We were engaged in studying the legal bearings in the effort of the Government to escheat property and also in regard to the test oath. It was decided that the brethren should take it. The Central Committee [of the People's Party] telegraphed to all parts of the Territory for their officers to take the oath.

Tuesday, March 22, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I was at the office most all day with President G. Q. Cannon, F. D. Richards, Lawyers F. S. Richards, LeGrand Young, W. B. Preston and A. Miner. We were considering property matters.

Wednesday, March 23, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Bros. G. Q. Cannon, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, A. Miner, LeGrand Young, F. S. Richards, A. M. Cannon, J. Jack and W. B. Preston were together for eleven hours and tried every way to cut and contrive a way to keep our property. It was decided to fight the law by proving that there was no Church Incorporation and for fear of a decision against us, it was decided to loose all of the property. Chandler of Washington gave an opinion that the government would to [take] personal as well as real property.

Thursday, March 24, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. After being together all day, we came to the Conclusion unitedly that President Taylor should sell all property likely to be seized by the government, G. Q. Cannon, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, J. W. Taylor, W. B. Preston, J. Jack, George Reynolds, F. S. Richards, LeGrand Young, A. Miner and A. M. Cannon and myself voting.

Monday, March 28, 1887 - St. George

Bro. H. J. Grant left for Panguitch and I for St. George at 5 a.m. I reached St. George at 6:30 p.m. and put up at my Uncle J. L. Smith. I met President E. D. Woolley and gave him my message and we talked over our business affairs and made a decision as to what we would do. Latter I met President J. D. McAllister at the Temple and had a good visit with him and we talked over our concerns freely.

Tuesday, March 29, 1887 - St. George

I spent the day in looking about the City and visiting with friends. In the evening I met Prest. Wilford Woodruff and we had an excelent visit. He read me a letter that he written to H. J. Grant in regard to the succession to the Presidency. His views are that we succeed in a regular order.

Thursday, March 31, 1887 - Beaver

I went to Minersville by stage and met Prest. J. R. Murdock and went to Beaver with him where I spent the night. I have received a telegram that Lorin Farr had fallen and hurt himself so severely that he was not expected to live. It occured at Pocatello, Idaho last evening.

Saturday, April 2, 1887 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

We were riding all night. I got home at 10:30 a.m. and was busy about the City until 4 p.m., when I went to Ogden. I found my friends considerably excited over Father Farr. I made up my mind that he would get well.

Sunday, April 3, 1887 - Ogden

I spent the day beside father's bedside. He is very bad but is improving.

Tuesday, April 5, 1887 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

I went to the City and returned to Ogden. I borrowed thirty one hundred dollars in money today of the Deseret Bank. I met G. Q. Cannon and F. M. Lyman.

Wednesday, April 6, 1887 - Ogden and Salt Lake City

I spent the day at the bedside of Father Farr. In the evening I returned home. The General Conference convened at Provo today at 10 a.m., Lorenzo Snow presiding.

Thursday, April 7, 1887 - Provo

I went to Provo by train this morning. The Conference convened at 10 a.m., Lorenzo Snow presiding. Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself were present of the Twelve. I was the first speaker.

The members of the Twelve present met at noon. G. Q. Cannon had sent a request to have a vote of Confidence given to the presidency endorsing all they had done in property and other matters. I objected on the ground that we did not know what had been done.

Friday, April 8, 1887 - Provo and Ogden

Conference at 10 a.m. Bro. L. Snow occupied the morning hour, talking on his prison experiences. In the afternoon an Epistle from the Presidency was read and Conference adjourned.

I went to Ogden and found father Farr much improved.

Sunday, April 10, 1887 - Ogden

I spent the day with father. Sarah and I went home in the evening and all were well.

Monday, April 11, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I paid the Savings bank fifty dollars in interest. I visited most of the day with Lyman. I am badly off with Rhumatism.

Wednesday, April 13, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I am under the weather with Rhumatism. F. M. Lyman and I were together part of the day.

Thursday, April 14, 1887 - Salt Lake City

The directors of the Coop Wagon Co. met and heard the reports of the business for the past three months and they were very satisfactory. The showing was excelent.

The Directors of the Grant Bros. Livery Co. met and took stock and found that they had lost about one thousand dollars on the year's business.

I went to the Theatre in the evening, Booth played The Fool's Revenge.

Friday, April 15, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day with F. M. Lyman talking over our business affairs. I went to the Theatre and saw Booth play Shylock and Petruccio.

Sunday, April 17, 1887 - Ogden

I went to Ogden and attended the Conference. I spoke a little while in morning and afternoon.

Father Farr is gradually improving. I returned home in the evening.

Thursday, April 28, 1887 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

I was busy in the City during most of the day. I went by train [to] Ogden where I met Bro. F. M. Lyman. I stopped with Lorin Farr, who is getting better of his hurt.

Wednesday, May 4, 1887 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

Pleasant. Bro. F. M. Lyman had received a letter from the Presidency addressed to him and me saying we could visit Arizona but before going they wanted me to go to Uintah Co. and organize a stake, and one of the brethren were to go with me.

Thursday, May 5, 1887 - en route to Uintah County

Pleasant. Bro. J.W. Taylor and I took D[enver]. and R[io]. G[rand]. train for Price City.

Bro. George Frantzen met us at the station and we started for Ashley, driving up into Soldier Canyon about 17 miles where we slept the remainder of the night.

Friday, May 6, 1887 - Soldier Canyon, Emery County

We drove through to the Duchesne River, reaching there at 2 a.m. We had stopped twice on the way and here rested four or five hours.

Saturday, May 7, 1887 - Ashley, Uintah County

We drove to the Uintah river the fort and took dinner and then drove on to Ashley.

I never had so dusty a trip before and our team was very badly used up, being quite poor in flesh. I put up with my sister and Bro. Taylor and Bp. Frantzen with President S. R. Bennion. Conference had commenced today.

Sunday, May 8, 1887 - Ashley

We attend[ed] Conference, President S. R. Bennion presiding. The house was full. After singing and prayer Bro. J. W. Taylor and I spoke to the

people. The people voted that we have a complete Stake organization and that the Conference be continued over Monday.

In the afternoon Bp. G. Frantzen, I. J. Clark and J. W. Taylor and R. S. Collett spoke. A splendid spirit prevailed and the people were fed. Bros. Bennion, Taylor, R. S. Collett, and James Hacking and I spent the evening talking over the names of those who should fill the offices in the Stake.

Monday, May 9, 1887 - Ashley

Pleasant. At 10 a.m. we went to meeting. I spoke and occupied the entire time except the reading of the Sunday School report. I enjoyed good liberty. The priesthood of the stake met at the close of the meeting, and the following list of officers were submitted to them: S. R. Bennion, President, R. S. Collett, first and James Hacking Second Counselor. . . .

The entire list was accepted by the Priesthood and also by the entire Conference.

The brethren chosen to fill the various places met together and those that were not High Priests were ordained and all present were set apart to the offices they had been chosen to fill.

The day's work was a hard one but we all felt well and had a most enjoyable time.

Friday, May 13, 1887 - Price

We drove to Price and held meeting in the evening. President C. G. Larsen and Orange Seely met us and we talked over the situation of the Price ward.

Saturday, May 14, 1887 - Price and Salt Lake City

We had Bp. George Frantzen and his Counselors together and talked over their troubles. Bro. J. W. Taylor and I returned to our homes in the City and I found two of my children sick with the measles.

Wednesday, May 18, 1887 - Ogden

Rainy. I went to Ogden and spent the day visiting with Lorin Farr and other members of the family.

Friday, May 20, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I helped to set apart 22 persons for missions. I got \$10.00 from J. Jack and \$25.00 from H. J. Grant & Co. I paid Sandberg \$4.00, school bill \$5.00, Grace Smith \$5.00, Herald \$10.00 and at 4 p.m. left the City for Milford. I kissed my family good bye for the present.

Saturday, May 21, 1887 - Parowan

It stormed some during the night. I was riding all night.

I took Coach for Parowan, cost \$1.50, to the Gap, where I was met

by young Bro. McGregor and taken to Parowan. I found my sister and family well. I met F. M. Lyman, he was well.

Sunday, May 22, 1887 - Parowan

I preached twice today and enjoyed moderate liberty. The house was well filled.

Tuesday, May 24, 1887 - St. George

We drove to Harrisburg and stopped with Bro. Orson Adkins and had dinner. We then went on to St. George and put up with Sister Elizabeth Snow. My little daughter is better. We saw Bro. W. Woodruff in the Evening.

Thursday, May 26, 1887 - St. George

Pleasant. Last evening Bros. W. Woodruff, F. M. Lyman and I set apart S. Williams and James A. Woods for missions to Mexico. They were instructed in regard to their duties. We slept in the Temple.

Bros. Woodruff, Lyman and I spent the entire day together reading letters and talking over matters of interest to us and the work. Bros. Woodruff and Lyman blest me. We met Prest. E. D. Woolley in the evening. Today Bro. W. Woodruff is 5 feet 6 1/2 inches high, breast measure 42 inches, waist 43, weight 172 lbs. F. M. Lyman 6 feet 2 inches high, breast measure 48 inches, waist 44, weight 245 pounds. I was 6 feet 1/2 inch high, breast 44, waist 40, weight 236 pounds.

Sunday, May 29, 1887 - St. George

Hot. We attended meeting. Bro. F. M. Lyman spoke in public for the first time in 18 months. I spoke a few minutes. We took dinner with Bp. T. Judd. We called and administered to two sick sisters.

Wednesday, June 1, 1887 - Johnson, Kane County

At 9 a.m. today we held meeting with the people. Bros. L. Snow, F. M. Lyman and I spoke, a good spirit prevailed.

We had dinner and Bros. F. M. Lyman, Jesse W. Crosby, Isaac Riddle and I with five head of horses, two light wagons, bedding for four, grain and food for horses and men, left Johnson at 1 p.m., driving to Navajo Wells, a hole in the rock filled with living water. We drove ten miles on to Buckskin Mountain, took our supper and then made a drive of about ten miles and camped for the night at the foot of the mountain.

Friday, June 3, 1887 - Jacobs Pools and Lees Ferry, Arizona

One of our teams was gone and it took some time to find them. When found we drove out some miles and made a dry camp. We passed Soap Crick some 12 miles from the Pools and Badger Creek, some 4 miles from Soap Creek. At Soap Creek we broke the double tree on Bro. I. Riddle's wagon. It rained on us very nicely today.

We reach[ed] the Colorado at Lees Ferry. Bro. Warren M. Johnson received us kindly and made us at home. We held meeting, Bros. Crosby, Riddle, Lyman and Myself speaking.

Saturday, June 4, 1887 - Lees Ferry and Navajo Spring

Bro. Johnson ferried us across the River here which must be about six hundred feet wide. We came near drowning one of our horse[s] but got him ashore all right. The crossing was very dangerous as the river was high and the wind blew quite hard. We got all over the River safely at 3 p.m. and drove eight miles to Navajo Spring where we stopped overnight. We were very tired, but our hearts went out in gratefulness to the Lord for our safe crossing of the river.

[Traveled on through Arizona during the next week, camping along the way.]

Tuesday, June 14, 1887 - Snowflake, Arizona

We drove to Snowflake. The wind blew very hard and the dust and gravel filled our faces. Upon our arrival at Snowflake, I found Josephine with Sarah, Nicholas and Joseph. All were well. We put up with President J. N. Smith.

Thursday, June 16, 1887 - St. Johns, Arizona

We drove to St. Johns and I put up with Elijah Freeman. We attended a meeting of the High Council and they tried three cases, cutting one man off from the church and taking the Priesthood away from another.

[Traveled through Arizona until June 28 attending meetings.]

Tuesday, June 28, 1887 - Snowflake

We drove through to Snowflake. I found Josephine and the children pretty well.

Monday, July 4, 1887 - Snowflake

The band played some tunes. The people met in the Stake House and speeches, Songs and recitations were given. All did well.

B. Young, F. M. Lyman and I met at my room and read over the papers pertaining to the John Hunt Case and decided to fast tomorrow and ask the Presidency of the Stake, High Council, and Bp. Hunt to do the same.

A letter addressed to B. Young, F. M. Lyman and John H. Smith was received from the Presidency, signed by President G. Q. Cannon for President John Taylor and also for himself answering our letter written on the 19th in regard to making two Stakes to be known as the Snowflake and St. Johns Stakes. Bp. Udall to be president of St. Johns and Jesse N. Smith to [be] President of Snowflake. President Taylor is evidently quite sick or he would have signed for himself.

Bros. Young, Lyman, Crosby, Riddle, Josephine and myself went to Bp. John Hunt's and had dinner.

Tuesday, July 5, 1887 - Snowflake

At 8 a.m. today Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, and Myself met in Council and decided what we had better do in the Hunt Case. At 10 a.m. the Council met in the Stake [meeting] House. Jesse N. Smith & L. H. Hatch and a full Council with all of the Alternates and a number of other brethren were present. The High Council voted unanimously to reconsider the Case of Bp. John Hunt with B. Young, F. M. Lyman and myself presiding. Jesse N. Smith presented the case after the charge was read, and Bp. Hunt spoke for himself and it was soon found that the President, High Council, and Bp. all understood the matter alike. Two sittings of the Council were had and then adjourned until tomorrow.

Wednesday, July 6, 1887 - Snowflake

At 10 a.m. the first Count in the Case of Bp. John Hunt was taken up and the forenoon consumed without any new facts being gotten at. The brethren representing each side spoke and the case rested. Recess taken until 3 p.m.

At the time appointed the Council came together and It was decided and unanimously sustained that there was no cause for action and that Bp. John Hunt be restored to his Bishoprick. Adjourned until 7:20 p.m. when the other count was taken up. Bro. F. M. Lyman stated to the Council that Bishop Hunt would now withdraw the other Charge and that all was forgiven.

The Announcement was made that the stake was to be divided and two made out of it. The High Council sustained this proposition. A letter dated July 1st from Bro. Geo. Q. Cannon says President John Taylor is dangerously sick and requesting us to not get out of the range of easy communication. We answered we would not and told them to send the word "come" if we should go by team, and "come quickly" if Rail. The message to be sent to Jesse N. Smith.

Friday, July 8, 1887 - Snowflake

I wrote letters to Allen Miller and W. Talbot instructing that latter that he was to ask the people to forgive him for slandering his brethren and if they forgave him then he was to renew his Covenants. I also wrote to Bro. Allen Miller to see this carried out. J[osephine] and I went [to] C. L. Flake's to supper and spent the evening.

Monday, July 11, 1887 - Snowflake

B. Young, F. M. Lyman, J. N. smith and Myself got together and agreed upon a body of men for Officers in the Snowflake Stake.

Thursday, July 14, 1887 - St. Johns to Deer Spring The roads are very muddy and the mud is of the sticky kind. We drove about thirty miles to Deer Spring and stopped at a Ranch house and put our horses in the pasture. Brigham Young, J. W. Crosby, Isaac Riddle and myself compose our party.

**Friday, July 15, 1887 - Deer Spring Ranch, Arizona,
to Zuni, New Mexico**

It rained during the night and continued to do so this morning. We drove to the crossing of Zuna River and found the water so high we could not cross so we followed up the west bank to Zuna, Valencia Co. We camped about five miles below Town.

Saturday, July 16, 1887 - Zuni to Ramah, New Mexico

We drove into the villiage of Zuni. Said to contain about two thousand people. They are semi Civilized. We saw them Making cloth, grinding corn and working in their gardens. They were employed in many other ways. The Villiage stands on a hill in the Center of the Valley and on the West bank of the Zuna River. Some of the houses are four stories high with a hole in the top and a lader to go up on top and one to go down in. They are making modern improvements by putting doors and Windows in. The houses looked white and clean inside.

The roads are very muddy, the rain having fallen in torrents.

We drove to Ramah and put up with Bp. James McNeal.

Sunday, July 17, 1887 - Ramah, New Mexico

The day was very pleasant. Meeting commenced at 10 a.m. B. Young, J. W. Crosby Jr., Isaac Riddle and I spoke. At 2 p.m. we held another service. B. Young and I did the speaking. A Priesthood meeting was held and Bros. Isaac Riddle, J. W. Crosby, B. Young and myself spoke.

Wednesday, July 20, 1887 - Deer Springs and St. Johns, Arizona

Pleasant. We drove through to St. Johns. Bro. F. M. Lyman was well and glad to see us back.

Thursday, July 21, 1887 - St. Johns

Pleasant. We received letters from Bro. Wilford Woodruff requesting Bro. Lyman and I to return home and saying President Taylor was very ill. Also from President G. Q. Cannon saying that President John Taylor was laying unconcious.

President J. N. Smith and Lorenzo Hatch, with Josephine and children came today from Snowflake.

A Priesthood meeting was held at which were 20 high Priests, 22 Seventies, 46 Elders, 3 Priests, 6 Teachers, and 6 deacons. It was unanimously voted to organize a stake and to sustain David K. Udall as President.

The brethren made selection of about forty names from which to secure officers from the stake.

Friday, July 22, 1887 - St. Johns

F. M. Lyman, David K. Udall and Myself were engaged during the entire day figuring up from the lists of names given by the brethren those most suitable in our judgment to hold the offices in the new stake.

The priesthood agreed to the brethren suggested for office.

Saturday, July 23, 1887 - St. Johns [stake conference]

I received a long letter from my Kinsman President Joseph F. Smith. A letter from Bro. W. Woodruff was also received dated the 11th from St. George saying we need not come home as yet.

The conference convened at 10 a.m., President Jesse N. Smith presiding.

The proposed Presidency and high Council were sustained by the people. [All stake and ward officers listed.]

Monday, July 25, 1887 - St. Johns

Joseph W. Smith brought a telegram from James Jack [regarding death of John Taylor?] requesting us to come. We met with the Relief Society and gave them some instruction.

Tuesday, July 26, 1887 - St. Johns to Desert

F. M. Lyman, J. W. Crosby Jr., I. Riddle, Myself and others drove to Erastus and held meeting and drove out into the desert and camped over night.

Wednesday, July 27, 1887 - Snowflake

We drove to Snowflake and took breakfast.

Bishop Joseph H. Richards of St. Joseph brought us a telegram from James Jack requesting us to come home at once. We decided to go.

Thursday, July 28, 1887 - Holbrook

We drove to Holbrook and found our train was 15 hours late so we camped and waited until morning.

We bought our Tickets which cost \$64.00.

[President John Taylor died on July 25, 1887. On July 29, 1887, funeral services were held in Salt Lake City.]

Saturday, July 30, 1887 - on train and at Pueblo, Colorado

We reached LaJunta about 9:30 a.m., to late for the West bound passenger train. We had our beards cut off. We got on to a freight train and rode to Pueblo about 63 miles. The rain fell in torrents and the streams were much swollen. We put up at the Railway hotel.

Monday, Aug. 1, 1887 - Grand Junction to Salt Lake City

On the train we reached Spanish Fork station about 4 p.m. and rode with the Monk boys to the City on top of a load of Posts. Bros. Monk and Swensen took us with them in a carriage to Provo and Bro. William Strong took us to Lehi and a Bro. Fowles took us to Draper, where we were met with a team from home and taken into the City where we arrived at 4 a.m.

We found all well.

Tuesday, Aug. 2, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day sleeping. I wrote to Josephine.

The night was spent at the President's office.

Wednesday, Aug. 3, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I met my much loved kinsman Joseph F. Smith this morning for the first time in nearly five years. With what excessive Joy I took him in my arms and hugged him.

At 10 a.m. the following named brethren met in Council: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, John W. Taylor, D. H. Wells and myself. Several brethren spoke upon the rights of the Twelve and that they should not be belittled before the people of the Church and some felt this had been done for some time past. Some of the remarks reflected upon President G. Q. Cannon and he felt some what nettled. F. M. Lyman moved that G. Q. Cannon be restored to his place in the Quorum of the Twelve. It was seconded, but Bro. Cannon objected to its being put as there was feelings against him. Moses Thatcher moved that Joseph F. Smith be restored to his place in the Quorum of the Twelve. He said he desired to be so restored to his place and labor with his brethren.

It was deemed best to adjust whatever was wrong in the case of Bro. Cannon and proceed with him first. After a few mutual explanations they were both restored and hands shaken.

After the adjournment of the Counsel Bros. W. Woodruff, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, D. H. Wells and myself met and talked over the J. Q. Cannon and Luie Wells matter. Bro. G. Q. Cannon explained that whole matter and took upon himself much responsibility and said he was willing to do what his brethren might require. Bro. D. H. Wells spoke in great plainness and we forgave each other and shook hands and were happy.⁸

⁸ John Q. Cannon, son of George Q. Cannon, divorced his wife Annie and married her sister, Louie Wells. Both women were daughters of Daniel H. and Emmeline B. Wells. The Cannon-Wells affair and its ultimate conclusion are recounted in Carol Cornwall Madsen, "A Mormon Woman in Victorian America," Ph.D. diss., University of Utah, 1985.

Thursday, Aug. 4, 1887 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. the following named brethren met at the President's Office: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells and myself. Joseph F. Smith is sick.

We unanimously agreed to push the Statehood question.

We agreed to find a President for the Maricopa Stake, to make George C. Parkinson President of the Oneida Stake if the people would have him, to organize a new Stake to be called Cassia with Horton D. Haight as President if the people would have him, to make some Patriarchs in Bannock Stake, and for the Twelve to put these all in order. Also to get a Bishop for Moab Ward in San Juan stake and a new President for Box Elder Stake, as O. G. Snow had resigned.

On motion of G. Q. Cannon the brethren in Charge of the Temples were instructed to give free access to the Temples to any and all of the Apostles.

Friday, Aug. 5, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Cool and pleasant. I spent the day reading and writing.

Thursday, Aug. 11, 1887 - Salt Lake City

The following named brethren met in Council at 10 a.m.: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Daniel H. Wells and myself.

Several items of business were talked over, and some appropriation of money made.

Friday, Aug. 12, 1887 - Salt Lake City

We met in Counsel at 10 a.m. Present: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells and myself present.

The statehood question was considered and the probable cost taken into consideration. It is believed that one half million will be required.

It was voted that three thousand dollars each be allowed to L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, B. Young, D. H. Wells. Five thousand to President Wilford Woodruff. Two thousand M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, George Teasdale, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, J. W. Young and myself. To be paid in cash.

We took and considered for a time the case of Albert Carrington, but we did not reach a conclusion.

Saturday, Aug. 13, 1887 - Salt Lake City

The Counsel met at 10 a.m. Present: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells and myself.

Wilford Woodruff, George Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith were sustained as a committee to get Statehood if possible. And one hundred thousand appropriated to set the ball in motion.

M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman and W. B. Preston were chosen to consider the wages of the Church Employes.

Sunday, Aug. 14, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day reading Bancroft's *Popular Tribunals*. In the evening Sarah and I went over Jordan. I took a look at my luzerne patch.

Monday, Aug. 15, 1887 - Salt Lake City

The Counsel of the Apostles met at 10 a.m. Present: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, D. H. Wells and myself. H. J. Grant was aded to the Committee on wages. Lyman and [I] were directed to go to Sanpete and give directions in regard to the finish of the Temple and have the account audited. A letter was written by President Woodruff directing how to proceed.

Monday, Aug. 22, 1887 - Manti

We went to the Temple and met Bro. W. H. Folsom and gave him President W. Woodruff's letter. He was glad to see us. The Temple books were brought and Bros. A. H. Lund and W. T. Reid began work. Bro. Lyman and I slept at the Temple. This afternoon Bros. F. M. Lyman, W. H. Folsom and I went through the Temple.

Saturday, Aug. 27, 1887 - Manti

The auditing of the books was completed and Bp. W. T. Reid and A. H. Lund certified that they were correct. We were taken by Bro. B. Jessen to Ephraim.

Tuesday, Aug. 30, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I found all well at home. It is said the Deputies have been watching my house for several days.

Wednesday, Aug. 31, 1887 - Salt Lake City

The following brethren met at 10 a.m.: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, F. D. Richards, Joseph F. Smith, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, H. J. Grant and J. W. Taylor.

Some appropriations were considered. The question of the Directors of Z.C.M.I. came up and the management of the concern was talked over.

It was decided to employ Broadhead of St. Louis as our Attorney in the Church property Suit.

Thursday, Sept. 1, 1887 - Salt Lake City

The Council met at 10 a.m. and D. H. Wells was present with us.

The Savings Bank business was talked over. The board of Directors of Z.C.M.I. were agreed upon with one exception.

The State movement was talked over and letters and telegrams read. Bro. Lorenzo Snow read or rather gave a verbal report of his trip north into Idaho. Bro. M. Thatcher said the Oneida Stake had been organized with G. C. Parkinson, S. H. Hale and M. H. Cowley as the Presidency.

Bro. Lyman reported the Manti temple business. Report accepted.

Monday, Sept. 5, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at the President's office with M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, & E. Snow. The committee on wages are making examinations of matters.

Wednesday, Sept. 7, 1887 - Salt Lake City

The following brethren met in Counsel: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, F. D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself present.

It was decided to hold our Conference in this City, October 6th. Ex-Senator McDonald has been selected to defend suit against the Church for property. F. S. Richards is to go to Washington to see McDonald in regard to commencing suit in that City.

Mexican Matters were talked over. Allowance of the Twelve fixed at \$3,000.00 and \$2,000.00 a few days ago, to commence September 1st and be paid in Cash.

I sent Josephine Draft for \$4.00.

Thursday, Sept. 8, 1887 - Salt Lake City

The Council met. Present: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, F. D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, Bps. W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, J. R. Winder and myself.

The Counsel decided to incorporate a company to hold the land purchased in Mexico.

Appropriated \$500.00 dollars to Washakie Indian farm to aid in starting up their store again which had been burned.

Bro. C. O. Card reports all things well with the Colony in Canada and wants help.

Friday, Sept. 9, 1887 - Salt Lake City

All of members present in counsel yesterday were present today. The Committee on Wages reported and the report was read and received. Bp. W. B. Preston made a recommend that the Twelve be put on the same footing as to pay. After consideration, the allowance for the Twelve and Bishopric was fixed at \$3,000.00 each. The whole report was considered and some of the recommendations were adopted and some laid over for the time being.

Saturday, Sept. 10, 1887 - Salt Lake City

The following brethren met in Counsel. W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, W. B. Preston and myself.

\$134.00 dollars was appropriated to C. W. Smith in full for work.

Bros. W. H. Folsom, T. O. Angell, Jr., and Amos Howe met with us and talked over the question of making the Salt Lake Temple fire proof.

We discharged several hands whose work was done.

We attended to several other items and adjourned subject to call.

Wednesday, Sept. 14, 1887 - Provo

I spent the day reading in Tuckerman's *Modern Greeks*.

Mother and I took a drive down to the field. Sarah visited some friends.

Thursday, Sept. 15, 1887 - Provo and Springville

I spent the day reading. In the evening Sarah and I drove over to Springville.

We put up with N. H. Groesbeck.

Friday, Sept. 16, 1887 - Springville and Provo

Sarah visited with the folks. I was busy reading Dr. Lewis Medical Works.

Sunday, Sept. 18, 1887 - Provo

The day was spent in visiting with Grace and Charles.

We drove to Bro. L. P. Lunds and spent the night. In going we called at Edward Partridge's for a short time.

I am 39 years old today.

Wednesday, Sept. 21, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I was reading all day and finished the Popular Tribunals.

In the evening I met the following brethren: W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, F. D. Richards, B. Young, J. F. Smith, H. J. Grant, LeGrand Young, F. S. Richards, L. J. Nuttall and myself.

F. S. Richards, who had been east to see Ex Senator [Joseph E.] McDonald about the Church Suit reported his trip and said if McDonald and his firm were employed they would want \$7,500.00 to take the suit and if they won it they were to receive \$17,500.00 more. After some talk upon the subject it was taken under advisement for two days.

The decision of the High Council of Uintah in the case of Mrs. Fanny Richens was reviewed, the testimony not warranting their decision. The books are to be closed.

Friday, Sept. 23, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I received a letter from Josephine, all well. I spent the day at home.

In the evening the following brethren met in Counsel: W. Woodruff, F. D. Richards, Erastus Snow, B. Young, Jos. F. Smith, H. J. Grant, F. S. Richards, LeGrand Young, L. J. Nuttall and myself. After considerable talk it was decided to employ Macdonald's law firm, they to defend all suits growing out of the great suit and it to, for \$7,500.00 win or loose and \$17,500.00 more if they win. The Attorneys read the answers to the complaint and they were accepted. I am to go to Ogden Tuesday.

Saturday, Sept. 24, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Rainy. I spent the day at home. In the evening Bros. Woodruff, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, J. F. Smith, H. J. Grant and I met and agreed to have F. S. Richards go east and see two eminent lawyers in regard to this Church case.

Monday, Sept. 26, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I spent the day at home reading. In the evening we went for a drive. I discovered the house was being watched and went away from home to stop over night.

Tuesday, Sept. 27, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I was at the President's office all day reading and writing. In the evening I went for a drive again and in going home found my house was watched.

Wednesday, Sept. 28, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Presidents Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon and I spent the day at the Office. Bro. Woodruff was quite sick and was in bed most of the day.

I went home in the evening and found the watchers gone.

Thursday, Sept. 29, 1887 - Salt Lake City

The following brethren met at the president's Office: Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, Franklin D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Brigham Young, Joseph F. Smith, Moses Thatcher, Francis M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant and myself. L. J. Nuttall met with us. President Woodruff is still sick.

Some discussion was had on the propriety of making a conditional

promise to the Court not to live with any of our wives. The feelings of the brethren were against making any promise. Several little items were considered and passed upon. We adjourned subject to call.

Monday, Oct. 3, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Bros. Lyman, E. Snow and myself were together for a short time this evening. I went with Bro. Lyman to the Gardo and stopped overnight.

Tuesday, Oct. 4, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Bros. E. Snow, F. M. Lyman and I were at the Gardo and Historian's Office during part of the day. I met Prest. E. D. Woolley and we talked over Cattle matters.

H. J. Grant brought in my account with H. J. Grant and Co. I went home to stop.

Wednesday, Oct. 5, 1887 - Salt Lake City

The following named brethren met at Bro. F. Armstrongs: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, F. D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Brigham Young, Joseph F. Smith, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, George Reynolds and myself.

We had the Epistle read over and approved part and referred part to a committee.

Bro. G. Q. Cannon said he felt that some of the brethren held ill feelings against him and desir[ed] that each should express himself so he might make any amends that was required.

Bros. L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, J. F. Smith and W. Woodruff said they had nothing. J. W. Taylor was a little mixed. M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and myself wanted some explanation from Bro. Cannon. He went to and tried to clear up all points and said he was willing to try to do anything the brethren wished. They all talked very free. We were together until 2 o'clock and not being quite clear adjourned to meet at 7 p.m. tomorrow evening.

I gave note to G. D. A. Smith for \$465.00 with interest at Eight percent per annum.

Thursday, Oct. 6, 1887 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

Pleasant. At 10 a.m. Conference convened in the Large Tabernacle, called to order by Elder Lorenzo Snow. Present of the Twelve: L. Snow, F. D. Richards, H. J. Grant and myself.

The Twelve met at the office at 7 p.m. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, J. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, J. H. Smith, H. J. Grant and J. W. Taylor. We reconciled all of our misunderstandings after mutual explanations and at 1 a.m. bid each other good night.

Friday, Oct. 7, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. Ashael Woodruff died this morning of Diphtheria. I attended his funeral at 11 a.m. and did not go to Conference.

I was at Conference in the afternoon. The Twelve met in the evening. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, J. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, J. H. Smith, H. J. Grant and J. W. Taylor.

A good spirit existed. We passed upon the final parts of the Epistle. It was voted to put up twenty five thousand to make the little bank sound. The brethren expressed willingness for me to go to Arizona.

Saturday, Oct. 8, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I was at Conference all day and at the Priesthood meeting in the evening. There was a large attendance at all of the meetings. Bro. Erastus Snow made his appearance for the first time in two years and spoke upon the work for the dead. The people felt well.

In the afternoon the Epistle of the Twelve was read by Bp. O. F. Whitney.⁹ I spent an hour with President W. Woodruff.

Sunday, Oct. 9, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Word was received of the serious illness of Judge Aaron Farr. I was only part of the time at meeting.

President W. Woodruff attended meeting for the first time in three years. The Saints were pleased to see him. He spoke a few words.

Monday, Oct. 10, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Armstrong, Farnsworth and Co. met and agreed to distribute \$40,000.00 Z.C.M.I. stock, the dividends arising therefrom to go to the Syndicate.

E. D. Woolley and I are making arrangements to borrow some money. I agreed to give one thousand dollars to the State movement.

Tuesday, Oct. 11, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. The following Brethren met at 10 a.m.: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, Jos. F. Smith, John Henry Smith, H. J. Grant and J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells and George Reynolds. Some small appropriations were passed upon. It was agreed that the presiding Bishop might use the best men he could find in the Stakes for agents.

B. Young and I were instructed [to] organize the stakes in Arizona.

⁹The epistle urged church members to stay out of debt and "financial schemes" and to support home manufacture (see *Deseret News Semi-Weekly*, Oct. 11, 1887).

Wednesday, Oct. 12, 1887 - Salt Lake City

Bros. W. Woodruff, E. Snow, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, Jos. F. Smith, H. J. Grant, W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, J. R. Winder and myself had a little talk over the business as between the Presidents and Bishop's offices. It was agreed to let things remain as they are for the present and for the committee on wages to make some recommendations in regard to the system to be followed.

Zions Saving bank offered me my sister Mary A. Wimmer's home for five hundred dollars.

I telegraphed to Mary Amelia Wimmer: "Amount due on home \$2,000.00. Will you give me deed if I buy it."

Thursday, Oct. 13, 1887 - Salt Lake City

My sister Mary A. Wimmer answered "I will sign any deed you send." Mary A. Wimmer.

I went and bought Peter Wimmer's note for \$800.00 with interest of \$1,296.00 for five hundred dollars and gave my note payable in six months. I wrote to Morgan Richards requesting him to fix up deeds for me and sent Note and Mortgage. I wrote to Mary also about the matter.¹⁰

The board of Directors of Coop W. & M. Co. met at 7:30 p.m.

H. J. Grant, J. F. Grant, George F. Odell, George Romney, W. W. Riter, Orson Woolley, J. F. Wells and myself present. We took a vote to build more office room, also to sell twenty eight thousand more stock. We read the minutes for the past year.

Saturday, Oct. 15, 1887 - Salt Lake City

I took dinner with Ex Senator McDonald and wife of Indiana and James O. Broadhead and Wife of St. Louis Mo. at F. S. Richards. J. T. Caine and Wife, F. D. Richards, H. J. Grant, A. M. Cannon, B. D. Young and M. Snow. We had a pleasant visit.

I got a hundred dollars from J. Jack and a ticket to Holbrook.

Sunday, Oct. 16, 1887

I bid my family good bye and at 3 p.m. took train for Arizona.

Thursday, Oct. 20, 1887 - Holbrook and Snowflake, Arizona

I found my family all well and so glad to see me.

Friday, Oct. 21, 1887 - Snowflake

I spent the day about the house reading.

¹⁰The house subsequently was turned over for use by Mary Wimmer.

Wednesday, Oct. 26, 1887 - Snowflake

I went to the hills after wood.

Saturday, Oct. 29, 1887 - Snowflake

I went again for wood. We got pinion pine. Bro. J. N. Smith broke the tongue out of his wagon.

Sunday, Oct. 30, 1887 - Snowflake

My wife Sarah is 38 years old today. I wrote to her. Bro. J. N. Smith and I went to Taylor and held meeting. We both spoke.

Monday, Oct. 31, 1887 - Snowflake

I spent the day at home reading and visiting with the brethren.

In the evening I gave a lecture on chastity to the young men's Mutual Improvement Association. There was a liberal attendance of the people and I enjoyed very good liberty.

Wednesday, Nov. 2, 1887 - Snowflake

I wrote letters to Bros. W. Woodruff and H. J. Grant. I gave some time to reading.

I wrote to Bro. H. J. Grant in regard to our financial affairs and told him I wanted money at the lowest rate of interest possible.

Thursday, Nov. 3, 1887 - Snowflake

Pleasant. It is fast day and myself and family went to fast meeting. I helped to bless four babies and confirm two members of the Church.

Tuesday, Nov. 8, 1887 - Snowflake

I was about the house all day. Our little daughter is quite sick. I helped my cousin put up a sealing to his room.

Saturday, Nov. 12, 1887 - Snowflake

Our little daughter is quite sick. I was reading in Bancrofts history of Mexico Vol. 5.

Sunday, Nov. 13, 1887 - Snowflake

I finished reading Bancrofts history of Mexico, Vol. 5.

I wrote to my wife Sarah.

Our child is much better.

Saturday, Nov. 26, 1887 - Thatcher, Arizona

At 2 p.m. B. Young, C. Layton, W. D. Johnson, Joseph Cluff and myself met and talked over the charge made by Bro. J. Cluff against the Presidency and High Council of the St. Joseph Stake. Bro. Young explained his views to Bro. Cluff and Bro. Cluff said he would withdraw the complaint

and forgive and asked to be forgiven. The brethren shook hands and good peace was established among the brethren.

Wednesday, Nov. 30, 1887 - Thatcher and Maricopa

At Benson Bro. Young was informed that the officers were looking for him and he got off the train. I went on to Maricopa.

[Went to Mesa, Arizona, reorganized stake in special conference, then to Albuquerque, New Mexico, and back to Snowflake on December 8.]

Monday, Dec. 12, 1887 - Snowflake

Josephine and I were lining our house with factory [wall covering].

Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1887 - Snowflake

We put down our new rag carpet today. I received letters from Sarah with several enclosures. W. H. Rowe notified me he had paid the note of Sarah Ellen Smith of \$2,000.00.

Friday, Dec. 16, 1887 - Snowflake

I finished reading J. S. C. Abott's history of Maine. I went to a party in the evening and took my children.

Saturday, Dec. 17, 1887 - Snowflake [stake conference]

10 a.m. the conference convened, President Jesse N. Smith presiding. After singing and prayer Bro. J. N. Smith, Bps. Hunt, Owens, Hensen & Willes spoke on the gospel. I followed for 15 minutes.

At 2 p.m. We met again. After singing and prayer Bps. J. H. Richards, David Brinkerhoff, John Bushman and E. N. Freeman spoke. I followed. It was unanimously voted to dissolve all of the organizations of the Little Colorado Stake and also of the Eastern Arizona Stake of a stake character. It was unanimously agreed that a new stake should be organized and that it be called the Snowflake Stake.

A Priesthood meeting was appointed for 6:30 p.m. At that hour we met and a good attendance present.

I stated the object of the meeting and the kind of men we wanted to fill the various offices of the Stake.

The brethren made about 50 nominations from which to select.

After meeting B. Young, J. N. Smith and I met and arranged the Presidency and High Council and other officers.

Sunday, Dec. 18, 1887 - Snowflake

At 10 a.m. Conference convened. The speakers were Andrew Gibbons, John Berry, David K. Udall, L. H. Hatch and myself.

At noon the Priesthood came together and accepted the brethren chosen for office.

At 2 p.m. Conference convened again. Singing and Prayer.

Bp. John Hunt had the sacrament administered. I then presented the brethren singly and they were all sustained.

Presidency - Jesse N. Smith, L. H. Hatch and Joseph H. Richards.
[High Council and other stake officers also listed.]

All of the other organized wards with their Authorities were sustained as well as the general authorities of the church.

Monday, Dec. 19, 1887 - Snowflake

Elders B. Young, Lot Smith, David Brinkerhoff and Farnsworth [met] and considered the case of Brinkerhoff Versus Lot Smith. We heard the Testamony and decided that Lot Smith pay 700.00

David Brinkerhoff " 150.00

The other two brethren " 200.00

Tuesday, Dec. 20, 1887 - Snowflake

Elder Brigham Young and I met and made out our report to President W. Woodruff of our labors in Arizona.

Wednesday, Dec. 21, 1887 - Snowflake

The wind blew and the snow flew until it was a cold disagreeable day. I read in the papers. I wrote a short letter to Bro. Woodruff.

Saturday, Dec. 24, 1887 - Snowflake

At 5 a.m. today Josephine gave birth to a daughter. I was about the house during the day.

I wrote to my wife Sarah. In the evening myself and children went to the hall and had a look at the Christmas tree.

Sunday, Dec. 25, 1887 - Snowflake

The children enjoyed their little things for Christmas.

I went to meeting and Bros. Hunt, Flake, Willis, Udall and myself were the speakers.

Monday, Dec. 26, 1887 - Snowflake

Their is a strong south wind blowing. I received letters from home. All were well. We also received presents.

Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1887 - Snowflake

Bro. John Oakley gave me a Patriarchal blessing and I blest him and President Jesse N. Smith.

Thursday, Dec. 29, 1887 - St. Johns

Warm and pleasant. We drove to St. Johns and put up with President D. K. Udall.

We attended a high Council trial.

Sunday, Jan. 1, 1888 - St. Johns [stake conference]

Conference convened at 10 a.m. The general and local authorities were sustained, statistical report read, and three of the brethren spoke on the principles of the Gospel.

At 2 p.m. we met again, the house full as it had been during the other meetings. The Sacrament was administered and I spoke an hour and twenty-three minutes. Quite a number of strangers were present. I had good liberty in speaking. I closed with prayer.

Bro. Jesse N. Smith and I called upon Judge Morrison and Recorder Nelson and we had a pleasant time.

In the evening I met with the Presidency, high Council and Bishops and after talking over the Waltzing business it was voted to restrain it.

Thursday, Jan. 5, 1888 - Snowflake

I spent the day reading in a humorous book giving a trip to Egypt and the Holy Land.

Sunday, Jan. 8, 1888 - Snowflake

Cold. We had our baby blest, Bro. Jesse N. being mouth. We gave her the name of Lucy. Bros. E. M. Webb and S. Parker preached at the meeting. These two brethren were set apart as high Councilors.

Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1888 - Snowflake

Cold. I wrote to my wife Sarah. I also received a letter from Sarah. I spent some time reading in the history of Mexico.

Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1888 - Snowflake

I received from Spence an Annual pass over D. & R. G. W. Ry. and half fare permit of the entire Rio Grande system, and half fare permit over the A. T. & S. system. It continues cold.

Sunday, Jan. 15, 1888 - Snowflake

I finished reading the history of Mexico. The day is cold and I did not go to meeting.

Monday, Jan. 16, 1888 - Snowflake

Cold. I was reading in the Book of Mormon most of the day. In the evening I attended a party and picnic gotten up in honor of Sister Paul Smith who is 62 years old today. We had a pleasant time.

Saturday, Jan. 21, 1888 - Snowflake

Pleasant. Snow going fast. I was busy getting supplies together to keep house.

Monday, Jan. 23, 1888 - Snowflake

Warm as a spring morning. I chopped up a load of wood.

The Young Men and Young Ladies Improvement Associations got up a surprise on me in the form of a grand supper and songs, recitations, and speeches were made and after that dancing. We had an agreeable time. The hall was filled with people.

Tuesday, Jan. 24, 1888 - Snowflake

I spent the day about home visiting with my family and some friends. The Elders Quorum invited me to lecture some to them. I consented to do so and lectured on moderation. I did so to a full house and with a free flow of the spirit.

Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1888 - Snowflake and Woodruff

I did Kiss my loved ones good bye for the present and in company with J. N. Smith and L. H. Hatch we drove to Woodruff and put up with B. P. Owens. We attended meeting in the evening and I took up all of the time in speaking.

Sunday, Jan. 29, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I reached home this morning at 8 a.m. and found all in good health and spirits. I was at home all day.

Monday, Jan. 30, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I met in Counsel with Presidents W. Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells, W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, John R. Winder, John Smith and George Reynolds and Myself were present.

Many matters were talked over and passed upon.

Wednesday, Feb. 1, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The following brethren met in Counsel: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, John Smith, W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, John R. Winder, C. W. Penrose, George Reynolds and myself. Bro. Penrose made a report as to the condition of affairs in the East and some discussion followed his report. After putting in the day we adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow. I drew from the Coop Wagon Co. my dividend of \$312.00.

Thursday, Feb. 2, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The brethren who met yesterday met again at 10 a.m. I presented the land matter in Apache Co. Arizona also the holding of church property and some items of my labors and it was decided Bro. Jesse N. Smith had better see if he could make a filling on some of the land and test the matter before the Commissioner. If this could be done he better go to Washington

and see what could be done. I am to have some talk with the Lawyers over the holding of church property.

I went to a party in the evening in the 17th ward house and soon learned I was almost a stranger.

The P. E. fund Co. met and talked over rates for our people and to what place we should bring them. The prospects are we will part with our friends the Guion Co. [steamship line].

Friday, Feb. 3, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I was at home most of the day. I wrote letters to Josephine and sent \$40.00 draft. I also wrote to Jesse N. Smith. I received a letter from Josephine.

In the evening Sarah and I attended a party at which a number of underground people [polygamists in hiding] met and had a nice party.

Saturday, Feb. 4, 1888 - Grantsville

Bros. H. J. Grant, S. B. Young and son, myself and wife went to Grantsville to attend the Conference.

In the evening we had the high Council together and agreed to accept the resignation of Bp. Edward Hunter on account of bad health. We then tried to find another man for a bishop but we failed to find one who suited.

Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Directors of the Coop. Furniture Co. met and found their business for the year had not paid. The meeting adjourned for a month.

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Groesbeck family on Estate matters. We agreed to sell the Wasatch building [at 211 South Main Street] provided we could get five hundred thousand dollars.

Friday, Feb. 10, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Showery. Bros. W. Woodruff, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, H. J. Grant, John W. Taylor and myself met in Council with several members of the Legislatue and it was thought best to concede a few points to the Governor if he would yield a little. A number of items were passed upon. Yesterday I received my pay of \$25.00 as director of the Gass Co. My son George took the check and Coop W. & M. Co. \$24.50 I owed them. I handed H. J. Grant \$300.00 to have credited on my account.

Saturday, Feb. 11, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day working about home raking up leaves and other garbage and wheeling it off.

Sunday, Feb. 12, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. I went to meeting at the Tabernacle and spoke for an hour. In the evening I attended meeting in the ward and spoke a few moments.

Monday, Feb. 13, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I was about home. Aunt Lucy came to the conclusion it would be best for her to deed to me a[nd] for she to have a life lease from me. I took the papers to a lawyer.

Wednesday, Feb. 15, 1888 - Provo

I spent the day visiting among friends. Bro. F. M. Lyman came in from Payson and I spent the evening with him at Bro. A. O. Smoots.

I paid my brother Charles for cedar posts \$12.25.

Thursday, Feb. 16, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I met with Bros. Woodruff, Richards, Cannon, Wells, Grant and some of the members of the Council of the Legislature in regard to making concessions to the governor and decided more should be made.

W. H. Dusenberry and John W. Turner of Provo met with Bros. Woodruff, Richards, Cannon, Wells, and myself and we talked over the licensing of the Whiskey business in Provo. No conclusion arrived at.

Friday, Feb. 17, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office during part of the day. I went up and visited Josephine's home. I got a letter from her.

Tuesday, Feb. 21, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Pleasant. F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and I went to the Office. The receiver got away with James Jack's gass stock today.

Erastus Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, H. J. Grant, D. H. Wells, LeGrand Young, B. H. Schutter [?] met and I with them and looked into the affairs of the little bank.

I was called out of bed in the night and consented to aid the Democratic national committee to the tune of \$25,000.00.

Thursday, Feb. 23, 1888

The following brethren met in Council: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells, W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, J. R. Winder, George Reynolds and myself. We talked over the seizure of the gass stock and the condition of our affairs generally. L. Young, Sheeks, Rawlings and Sutherland, our lawyers, met with us and it was decided to try and get a Habeas Corpus case and carry it up to the supreme Court of the United States.

Friday, Feb. 24, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The Council met at 9 a.m. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells, W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, J. R. Winder, G. Reynolds and myself. Several items were discussed and passed upon.

The Bishopric withdrew and we heard a case on appeal from the High Council of Tooele Stake in regard to devision of water between St. Johns and a Bro. Stuckie. We sustained the High Council. Two Theatre Tickets each is to be got for they who are entitled to them.

Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1888 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. the Apostles met. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, G. Reynolds and myself. It was agreed to pay S. H. B. Smith \$1,000.00 on the milk business, to appropriate \$1,500.00 to Cedar City meeting house, and \$300.00 to the Mexican Mission. Bro. F. D. Richards was made a committee of one to consider and examine into the indemnity bond given to A. Carrington, G. Q. Cannon and B. Young over settlement of church interest in B. Young Sr. Estate.

Thursday, March 1, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I signed note with H. J. Grant for \$1,100.00 on Deseret U. Bank.

In the evening I was at Mr. Jennings in company with the federal officers and members of the Legislature. We had a splended supper and an agreable visit.

Friday, March 2, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I wrote to Josephine and sent her a draft for \$40.00.

Monday, March 5, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the Office. B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and myself were present.

In the evening by accident the following brethren met: W. Woodruff, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, W. W. Riter, E. A. Smith, L. W. Shurtliff, [blank] Carlisle and myself. We talked over Legislative matters.

Tuesday, March 6, 1888 - Salt Lake City

E. Snow, M. Thatcher, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, D. H. Wells and myself were in consultation over the passage of some measures by the Legislature making free schools and a refusal to concede anything to the Governor.

E. Snow, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and myself met with a caucus of the Legislature and considered

the appropriation of money to various improvements and recommended economy in all ways.

Wednesday, March 7, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the President's Office. B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and I were present aiding in drafting a school law. I paid Samuel H. B. Smith and his daughter Florance one thousand dollars in full for all demands against the Church up to date on account of the milk business which Bp. Preston had taken from them. I took their receipt which was witnessed by S. B. Smith and Mary Smith.

I spent the evening with a party of friends at Sister Rachel Grants, who is 67 years old today.

Thursday, March 8, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Gass company at 11 a.m. and with the Directors of the Wagon Co. in the evening.

Friday, March 9, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the President's Office talking over the best methods by which to run the church business. I wrote to Josephine. I went to the Theatre in the evening.

Sunday, March 11, 1888 - Provo [stake conference]

I attended Conference today and Bros. S. B. Young, A. O. Smoot and myself did the talking.

I had a meeting with the high Council and Presidency and found that the brethren did not fellowship each other, owing to the faults that the brethren did manifest so openly.

I returned home in the evening. Bro. E. Snow [and] daughter, F. M. Lyman, J. W. Tanner spent the evening with us.

Monday, March 12, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the office with the brethren and in the evening attended an underground gathering and had a pleasant time. I met with Coop Furniture board.

Tuesday, March 13, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I met with and considered some matters of interest, several of the brethren being present. I wrote to Joseph F. Smith. In the evening several meetings were held of various kinds and with various persons, after which W. Woodruff, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, W. B. Preston, J. R. Winder and myself met and deliberated over a number of items.

Wednesday, March 14, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The Council of Apostles met. Present: W. Woodruff, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and Myself & George Reynolds. We agreed to publish the time of holding conference.

We talked over the indemnity bond given by the Twelve to the Executors of Pres. B. Young Estate, James Jack's bond given the Territory, and some minor items.

Thursday, March 15, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The Twelve met. Present: W. Woodruff, E. Snow, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, J. R. Winder, George Reynolds and myself.

M. Thatcher committee reported and report held for consideration untill Tuesday 21st. L. Snow of Committee on Indian farm at Washakie made a report which was accepted and adopted.

L. Snow, E. Snow, B. Young were made a committee to consider the whole Indian matter. L. Snow, F. M. Lyman & J. W. Taylor were made a committee to adjust trouble at Provo.

It was agreed to sell the Pipe Spring Ranch and cattle and invest the money in Mexico. No other things were done.

Friday, March 16, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I received a letter from Josephine dated the 7th. I wrote to her this morning.

At 10 a.m. the following brethren met in Council. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, J. R. Winder, D. H. Wells, G. Reynolds and myself. We voted not to form any more Quorums of seventies and not to ordain any more seventies at the present. Some Bishops are needed for the Iron stake. It was agreed that we would incorporate a stock farm and We will aid the Mesa canal so as to hold it. It was decided to aid Andrew Jensen in his historical record to the tune of \$2,000.00.

Sunday, March 18, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day at home reading in the Covenants, visiting with my family. I wrote to Josephine about visiting her home.

Tuesday, March 20, 1888 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. the following brethren met in Council. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, Mr. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, John W. Taylor, D. H. Wells, W. B. Preston, George Reynolds and myself.

We passed upon some minor items and then decided to put an Iron roof on the Temple and to let A. Howe have the job. Bp. Preston withdrew and Bro. Reynolds and Winters. The reporters were requested to withdraw. President Woodruff called for the report of the committee on a new system to run church affairs and also said he thought it was about time to organize the first Presidency. L. Snow spoke in favor. G. Q. Cannon was in favor. B. Young was mixed. Bro. Thatcher started to speak but we adjourned before we got through.

Wednesday, March 21, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The Council met. All present that could be. Bro. M. Thatcher spoke. Bro. Cannon replied. Bro. F. M. Lyman spoke and Bro. Cannon answered, then general discussions followed and finally we adjourned.

Thursday, March 22, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Council met. All present except George Teasdale and Joseph F. Smith. Several items of business done and the feeling against Bro. Cannon spoken of. I talked, so did Bro. Cannon. We parted feeling first rate.

Friday, March 23, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The Council met at 10 a.m. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells and myself. We took up the matter of our troubles. H. J. Grant, D. H. Wells, B. Young, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, W. Woodruff & G. Q. Cannon all spoke and much feeling was shown by Prest. Woodruff. We adjourned until Monday. It was found we must meet on Church property matters and we got together with the Attorneys and talked over matters. Messrs Sheek & Rawlings, L. Young and Sutherland were present.

Monday, March 26, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Council met at 10 a.m. Present W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells and myself. We continued our talk over our little troubles with Bro. G. Q. Cannon and finally came to an understanding and forgave each other.

We set apart 14 Elders to go upon missions to various parts of the world and gave them some good advice.

I administered to three sick persons tonight.

Tuesday, March 27, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The Council met at 10 a.m. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells, John Smith, W. B. Preston, J. R. Winder, G. Reynolds and myself. It was agreed that the Presiding Bishop should be the custodian of all church funds. Some City officers were

passed upon. The water matter at Mesa was convoked. A number of letters were read.

Wednesday, March 28, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The Council met at 10 a.m. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, W. B. Preston, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself. Some letters were read and passed upon.

A Claim of G. Q. Cannon & B. Young was discussed but no decision reached.

Thursday, March 29, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Council met at 10 a.m. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, John Smith, W. B. Preston, and myself. It was agreed to settle Bros. Cannon & Young's claim and they said they were satisfied without interest. This claim arose through the settlement of B. Young's Estate.

Pipe Spring to be jumped by anyone who wants to, we not being able to hold it.

Friday, March 30, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I attended a Directors meeting of the Home Furniture Co. at H. J. Grant's office at 10 a.m. I went over Jordan and worked at fixing up my fence.

Armstrong, Farnsworth and Co. met and consented for F. Armstrong to sell out to H. Dinwoodey and Geo. Romney.

Saturday, March 31, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I attended two performances at the Theatre today, Booth and Barrett playing the leading parts in Hamlet and Julius Caesar.

Monday, April 2, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The Council of the Apostles met at 10 a.m. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells, W. B. Preston, J. R. Winder, George Reynolds and myself. We talked over land matters.

President A. K. Thurber wishes to be adopted to my father in case he should die and wants his family to go with him.

Thursday, April 5, 1888 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

The Council met at 9 a.m. Present: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself. Bro. L. Snow was appointed to preside over the Conference. He and J. W. Taylor went. I attended a meeting of the stock holders of the Gass Co. The reports of the secretary

were read and approved and the old officers were reelected. The others of the apostles were in Council most of the day. I was at the Conference meeting in the afternoon. Bro. L. Snow and others spoke. After meeting the Council met for a short time.¹¹

Friday, April 6, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The Twelve met at 9 a.m. and the Conference convened at 10 a.m. After singing and prayer Bro. J. W. Taylor and D. H. Wells spoke.

At 2 p.m. we met again and several of the brethren spoke. At 4:30 a.m. the following brethren met and partook of the sacrament together: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells, W. B. Preston, J. R. Winder, George Reynolds and myself. We had a glorious time.

Saturday, April 7, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Conference convened at 10 a.m. I was not present.

Bros. W. Woodruff, E. Snow, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman and I held a Council. We passed upon a matter relieving Bro. Cannon of some financial embarrassment. It involved a note of his son Abraham for \$10,000.00.

During the afternoon the Epistle of President Woodruff was read by Orson Whitney and he also after reading spoke a short time.

Sunday, April 8, 1888 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. we were at the Conference. Abraham Cannon and I were the speakers during the morning hour and Bro. F. D. Richards in the afternoon. The Authorities were sustained.

I attended the funeral of Mrs. J. Acomb and spoke.

The Twelve and presidents of stakes met together for a short time. A meeting of the Y.M.M.I.A. met at the Social Hall this evening. Pres. Woodruff, E. Snow, & M. Thatcher spoke.

Monday, April 9, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The Apostles met and were together nearly all day. Much business was gone through. We adjourned without date. I was granted the privilege of going to Colorado.

¹¹ A letter of April 3, 1888, to "Jason Mack" (Joseph F. Smith) shows John Henry's discouragement with the progress of the statehood movement: "The brethren are all in good health and spirits but I am of the opinion that many of them are losing faith in the State movement if they ever had any. It looks to me as if the only chance on that score is to give the whole business away, renouncing our faith say for five years and then taking it up again when once inside of the great Governmental fold" (John Henry Smith Letterpress Books).

Tuesday, April 10, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I took up two notes amounting to eleven hundred dollars and paid \$27.50 in interest. I gave another note for \$1,100.00 for six months.

I borrowed \$300.00 from Almina Farr for two years at 10 percent.

Wednesday, April 11, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I got one hundred dollars from J. Jack. I attended a meeting of the Coop Wagon board.

At 11:30 p.m. I bid my family goodbye and started for Colorado on D.& R.G.W. Train.

Sunday, April 22, 1888 - Snowflake, Arizona

I attended the Sabooth School and in connection with several other of the brethren spoke a few words.

We took our supper with Bro. Jesse N. Smith and Bro. L. H. Hatch gave me the following:

A Blessing by Lorenzo H. Hatch, Patriarch upon the head of John Henry Smith, son of George Albert and Sara L. Ann Libbey Smith, born in Carburnca, Pottowatamie Co. Iowa Sept. 18, 1848.

Beloved Brother, John Henry Smith. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth and by the authority of the holy Priesthood, agreeable to your request, I place my hands upon thy head and seal upon thee a patriarchal blessing. Behold I say unto you, be of good cheer for you have been preserved as a chosen instrument and as a promised child to raise up the name of thy father and mother. Thy father obtained promises concerning thee. Thou has been impelled to go forward by the inspiration of the Lord thy God. As Jeremiah was ordained to be a prophet unto the nations so it has fallen to thy lot to in like manner lift up thy voice both long and loud and to spare not. It is thy calling to administer in behalf of millions as a great Apostle and to stand coequal with the chiefest of thy brethren. Your testimony is recorded on high. Your ministry while abroad is a witness that will bring thousands to judgment. Your words from henceforth shall be as in former times directed by the unerring Counsel of the spirit of prophecy and revelation. Your enemies shall be appalled before you. You shall be shielded and preserved to give Counsel and direction and to view the things of the eternal world, and to explain all points of doctrine and to discern what is in the hearts of the children of men. All your gifts have been foreordained and for this reason you have been shielded from the hand of the destroyer. The plans of the enemy have been frustrated and your life has been spared, thus saith the Lord your God, that you might continue to travel from nation to nation. They that you bless shall be blessed, and they that defy the Lord by your word they shall be cursed, and their generations shall cease from among men. Behold I say unto you, tongue cannot discribe nor pen record the glories that await you for your calling and election shall be made sure. The

Angels of God are on your right and left, they have journeyed with you, by land and by sea. I the Lord your God who speaketh by revelation will continue to hear your prayers, and your wives and your children shall be preserved as in the hollow of his hand. Behold you are an heir of every blessing that has or can be conferred upon one of the sons of men. For as Jacob so you have prevailed with the Lord thy God.

You have comforted the poor, the prayers of the widow and the fatherless are recorded in your favor and of your increase there shall be no end. Whatsoever you desire shall be granted unto you for you will be guided as in times past. You shall never want for money to perform the good in thine heart and you shall remember your brethren who are co-laborers in this great work. You shall comfort the aged and bless them, and your blessings shall be recorded in heaven, for this ministry has been conferred upon thee to bind on earth and it shall be bound in heaven. Rejoice therefore, for behold these words are the words of the Lord thy God. Though the heavens shall pass away, these words shall not fail. I seal all these blessings with your former blessings by the authority of my patriarchal Calling and in the name of your Redeemer, even so, Amen.

Monday, April 23, 1888 - Snowflake

The day is warm and sultry and in the evening it rained. Bro. Jesse N. Smith and I went to Taylor and I gave Bro. L. H. Hatch a blessing, after which We attended a meeting and both spoke.

A blessing by John Oakley, Patriarch, at Snowflake, Apache Co., Arizona, Dec. 27, 1887 upon the head of John Henry Smith, son of George A. and Sarah Ann Libbey Smith, born in Carburna, Pottawottomie County, Iowa, Sept. 18th 1848.

Bro. John Henry Smith, in the name of Jesus Christ I lay my hands upon your head and seal upon you a patriarchal and father's blessing and ask my heavenly Father that his holy spirit may rest down upon me and upon you and upon the Scribe, that the words that may be said may be in accordance with the spirit of Truth. Your lineage is that of Ephraim through the loins of Joseph, and thus cometh this blessing unto your father's house. Your Heavenly Father, as also your earthly father Geo. A. Smith are well pleased with your course. They have a special and constant care of you to preserve you from the many dangers and evils that are continually surrounding you and to guide you also and inspire you to do much good among the people. And as your days and years increase your usefulness shall also increase because of your gain in experience and prudence and discretion, and you shall live until you are satisfied with life and be changed in the twinkling of an eye. Not long hence and you shall see and take hold of the hand of your Savior.

Your joy shall be increased as your days and your years increase, and you shall have this to add to your testimony that you have seen the Lord. There is much that I can see and understand that is for you, to numerable to

mention at this time. I seal these blessings upon your head in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Tuesday, April 24, 1888 - Snowflake

I was at the house most of the day arranging our things and packing them up. In the evening about forty of our friends came in with their baskets of food and the evening was spent in eating, visiting and speech making until about 10 p.m., when all returned to their home.

Wednesday, April 25, 1888 - Snowflake and Woodruff, Arizona

We got letters from home, all were well. We did bid good bye to our dear friends here with much regret, and Bro. Jesse N. Smith took us to Woodruff where we held a meeting in the evening.

Thursday, April 26, 1888 - Woodruff and Holbrook, Arizona

Bro. Jesse N. Smith took us on to Holbrook and we had dinner at the Holbrooks' house and took train for Santa Fe. In parting Bro. Jesse and myself were both much affected.

Tuesday, May 1, Manassa, Colorado

I was going all day looking at property and trying to find a place to rent or for sale.

Wednesday, May 2, 1888 - Manassa

I still spent the day looking about to find a home. Bro. John Pickel bought a place today, paying for it \$600.00.

Thursday, May 3, 1888 - Manassa

I bought of R. Bowman's wife two lots for \$575.00 and paid \$125 for furnature. I got quit claim deed. I paid down in cash \$100.00 and gave note for 60 days for \$600.00, payable at the Deseret, Salt Lake City.

Tuesday, May 8, 1888 - Manassa

Bro. Bowman and family left today for Salt Lake City.

I had the men at work during part of the day. Sister Bowman and I had some misunderstanding in regard to the things I had bought but we righted it aside from a few things.

Wednesday, May 9, 1888 - Manassa

I worked very hard all day and so did my men. We got one room finished and it looks well.

Thursday, May 10, 1888 - Manassa

I am lame from over working and can Scarcely get about.

We moved in tonight and I did dedicate it to the Lord for an abode of love and peace.

Friday, May 11, 1888 - Manassa and Sanford

I ate my first meal in my new home. I bought a pump from Bro. Christensen and paid him \$8.50 for it put up in the well. It works very nicely. After dinner I said good bye to my family and went with Bro. John Morgan to Sanford where I did aid Bro. S. S. Smith, the Bishop of the ward, in organizing the Relief Society From there I went to the Railway station and bought a Ticket to Grand Junction and paid \$13.05 for it. I had a short visit with a Methodist preacher.

Monday, May 14, 1888 - Ephraim and Manti

Part of the day was spent in visiting with the brethren and a young Bro. Beal drove us to Manti and we put up at the Temple house. Bro. Morgan and I took a look through the Temple and were very much pleased with it.

Tuesday, May 15, 1888 - Manti

Presidents Woodruff, Cannon, Lyman, Young and C. H. Wilkins, G. Reynolds came in at 4 this morning. L. Snow, F. D. Richards, H. J. Grant, Jacob Gates, John Smith, Patriarch, John Sharp & Arthur Winters came in the afternoon.

Wednesday, May 16, 1888 - Manti

At 10 a.m. the following brethren met at the Temple and talked over business: Wilford Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, John Smith, Jacob Gates, John Morgan, J. B. Maiben, W. H. Folsom, J. Parry, J. D. T. McAllister, J. G. Bleak, D. D. McArthur, M. F. Farnsworth, G. Reynolds, Arthur Winter and myself. After reading over the prayer and canvassing a few names for Temple workers. We did adjourn and send for Bros. C. Petersen, H. Beal, and A. H. Lund.

After dinner we met again and all of the brethren named were present and also L. Tuttle. Bro. D. H. Wells was chosen to preside in the Temple and A. H. Lund to assist him, M. F. Farnsworth to be recorder. About fifty other persons will be wanted and several of the brethren were appointed to get up the names.

Thursday, May 17, 1888 - Manti

The following brethren met to have prayers at 10 a.m. in the Temple: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, D. H. Wells, John Smith, Jacob Gates, S. B. Young, John Morgan, Canute Peterson, W. H. Fulsom, Jno. Sharp, A. H. Lund, D. D. McArthur, W. S. Snow, E. L. Parry, R. Campbell, J. B. Maiben, Henry Beal, Jas. G. Bleak, C. Wilkin, J. D. T. McAllister, W. F. Farnsworth, George Reynolds, A. Winters.

B. Young prayed and the following brethren met in the Circle, Bro.

George Q. Cannon being mouth: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, D. H. Wells, Jacob Gates, S. B. Young, John Morgan, J. D. T. McAllister, D. D. McArthur, J. G. Bleak, M. F. Farnsworth, Canute Peterson, Henry Beal, J. B. Maiben, A. H. Lund, George Reynolds, C. H. Wilkin and myself.

12 noon we met and after singing President Wilford Woodruff [gave] the Dedictory Prayer. After which we shouted three times, Hosannah to God and the Lamb. Bro. Woodruff spoke a few words. Lorenzo Snow spoke. Bro. Geo. Q. Cannon talked very nicely, also B. Young.

Bro. Woodruff spoke a few words again, among them he said [""]We won't quit practising Plural Marriage until Christ shall come." F. M. Lyman spoke very nicely. President Woodruff dismissed us by prayer.¹²

The Twelve got together and attended to a little business. We decided to pay for a horse that died while bringing the brethren here. I made a report of what I had done in Colorado and it was approved. We conversed in regard to adultery and what course to pursue when men confess their wrong doing and no other persons but the guilty parties know in regard to it. It was agreed the parties should be protected and told to report and renew their Covenants. Our meeting was a very pleasant one.

Friday, May 18, 1888 - Manti

We met at the Temple and passed upon the persons who had been chosen to labor there. Bros. D. H. Wells & A. H. Lund were blest and set apart to their labor, Bros. Woodruff and L. Snow being mouth. Bros. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, C. Wilkin and George Reynolds started home.

Sunday, May 20, 1888 - Manti

Conference at 10 a.m. After filling the Tabernacle the South Ward meeting house was filled and Bp. O. F. Whitney did give us some fine instruction. I gave testimony and felt very well. In the afternoon three meetings were held and at the Council House There were the following speakers: A. E. Hyde, son of Apostle Orson Hyde, Wm. Taylor, brother of President John Taylor, President Jacob Gates, Bp. Wm. Thorn., Bp. R. Alfred, F. R. Lyman, son of Amasa M. Lyman and grandson of Bp. Partridge, L. G. Hardy, son of Bp. L. W. Hardy, J. J. Taylor, son of President John Taylor, Wm. Cahoon, the first baptised member of the church now living. He is feable but his testimony was a gem of worth to all who heard it. Richard Young, grandson of Brigham Young and myself were the speakers. We took about five minutes each and the spirit of the Lord rested in power upon every one and words of life fell from their lips. Bates Noble closed with prayer. To me this meeting was of great worth, bringing gladness to my heart. Faithfull veterans, feable and totering in health, gave us their testimony on the brink

¹²Heber J. Grant also quotes Woodruff in his diary of May 17, 1888: "We are not going to stop the practice of plural marriage until the coming of the Son of man."

of the grave almost and mingling their testimony with these old and faithfull ones were the testimonies of six of the descendants of the old Apostles and Bishops. Our hearts were glad as also were the Saints and the Lord did smile upon us and give unto us the bread of life. It was a glorious day and my heart is full of love and peace.

In the evening H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself restored to J. C. Whitbeck and Wm. Newton their Priesthood and rights in the Church. They had been cut off from the Church for adultery some years ago.

Monday, May 21, 1888 - Manti

Bros. L. Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, John Smith and myself with other brethren met at the Temple at 9:30 a.m. and at 10:30 a.m. the doors were thrown open, people being admitted by Ticket. At 5 minutes to 11 a.m. the choir sang Lord We Come before thee Now.

Lorenzo Snow gave the Dedicatory prayer — 38 minutes long.

[Other speakers listed with amount of time taken.]

In unison three times we shouted Hosanna to God and the Lamb forever and ever Amen, amen and amen.

I closed with prayer and then all of the people went through the building.

It was a day never to be forgotten by those present.

Tuesday, May 22, 1888 - Manti

At the temple the dedication services were repeated.

[Speakers and time taken by each listed.]

Wednesday, May 23, 1888 - Manti

The people passed through the rooms of the house. 2,200 persons were said to be present.

The heavens were opened. Sacred choirs sang, Angels were seen, Hallos of light encircled the head of the Priesthood and joy filled our hearts. It was the day of days and none present will ever forget it.

[Speakers and time taken by each listed.]

Friday, May 25, 1888 - Redmond, Sevier County

Bro. J. W. Taylor and I were requested to get home on Monday night.

By telegram from Bro. F. M. Lyman we learned E. Snow was dying.

Sunday, May 27, 1888 - Richfield [stake conference]

Bro. J. W. Taylor was quite sick this morning and did not go to meeting. I went and preached on having an Education.

Bro. W. H. Segmiller took me and Bro. Isaac Wright took J. W. Taylor to Gunnison. We put up with Bp. Madsen. About 8 p.m. Bro. J. W. Taylor remarked to me. "Bro. Smith, Bro. Erastus is dead."

Monday, May 28, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Bro. Wm. Metcalf took me in his carriage to Juab and from there we went home by Rail. I found all well.

Bro. E. Snow died last evening at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 29, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I met in Council at the Gardo house with W. Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, John R. Winder and George Reynolds. I was associated with M. Thatcher in Mexican affairs.

We talked over our property Concerns and made arrangements of Bro. E. Snow funeral.

Wednesday, May 30, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Today is decoration day and the funeral of Bro. Erastus Snow was held at 12 noon.

Thursday, May 31, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I went up to Becks hot springs and took a bath, and the ballance of the day aside from calling at Bro. John Morgans was spent at home.

Saturday, June 2, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I drew \$220.00 this morning. I gave \$80.00 Sarah, paid H. J. Grant \$100.00, and got New York draft for \$40.00 for Josephine.

[Y.M.M.I.A. conference held in the large tabernacle.]

I did not attend the evening meeting as I went to the springs and took my bath. The day was a joyous one.

Monday, June 4, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I was at the hot springs and took a bath. My leg is getting better.

The following brethren met in Council for a short time: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, George Reynolds and myself. The church Suits were talked over. It was decided M. Thatcher should be president of the Mexican Land Co. and A. F. McDonald Vice President.

We agreed to put \$1,250.00 into the stable business.

Tuesday, June 5, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at home. I had my bath at the Hot Springs and it is doing good.

Saturday, June 9, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I was at home during the entire day, aside from going to the hot spring and taking a bath. I received a telegram this evening from M. Thatcher at LaJara, Colorado requesting me to send a messenger to Logan to get papers pertaining to Mexican lands. I answered I would get them.

Sunday, June 10, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I was reading all day. My Son George Went to Logan and got the papers and returned.

J. F. Smith & C. W. Penrose got home from Washington tonight. All well.

Monday, June 11, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at home. Sarah gave birth to a daughter at 3 p.m. today.

Tuesday, June 12, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I got \$35.00 dollars from James Jack. At 11 a.m. I left home for Colorado.

Thursday, June 14, 1888 - Manassa

I reached Manassa about 11 a.m. and found all well. I was with M. Thatcher, W. B. Preston, A. F. McDonald, S. S. Smith, John Morgan, John Dalton and L. M. Patersen. We were working on Articles of Incorporation for the Mexican Land and Agricultural Co.

Friday, June 15, 1888 - Manassa

M. Thatcher, W. B. Preston, A. F. McDonald, S. S. Smith, John Morgan, John Dalton and Myself completed our Articles of Incorporation, took some stock and elected M. Thatcher President, J. H. Smith, Vice President, S. S. Smith Secretary, L. M. Petersen Treasurer, John Morgan and John Dalton Directors in connection with the others. All of the brethren not resident here left today for other parts.

Monday, June 18, 1888 - Manassa

S. S. Smith and I spent the day papering room.

Thursday, June 21, 1888 - Manassa

I was hoeing potatoes all day.

Sunday, June 24, 1888 - Manassa

The following telegram was received 4:30 p.m.

Salt Lake City, Utah - June 24th

S. S. Smith, Manassa via LaJara

Father died this morning. Funeral on Wednesday. Notify John Henry if possible. Elias R. Smith.

An answer was sent that I would be there on Wednesday morning.

Wednesday, June 27, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I got home this morning and found my wife Sarah Sick. I spent part of the day with F. M. Lyman and H. J. Grant. I attended the funeral of Elias Smith and was one of the speakers.

The attendance was not large.

Thursday, June 28, 1888 - Salt Lake City

My wife and baby are both quite sick. I was at home most of the day.

Friday, June 29, 1888 - Salt Lake City

W. Woodruff, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, F. M. Lyman, J. W. Taylor, H. J. Grant and myself met in Counsel. F. S. Richards, LeGrand Young met with us. It was decided to Compromise with the Government in the Church suits if possible.

Saturday, June 30, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at home reading. I got \$100.00 from Jas. Jack on my own account and \$46.50 on expense.

Our babe is very sick.

Sunday, July 1, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Our babe seems a little better. I was at home all day.

I have been reading Ben Hur and finished tonight.

Monday, July 2, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I got from Groesbeck Estate \$500.00 dollars. I paid Robert Bowman \$600.00 on note for that amount for 60 days.

Wednesday, July 4, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I rode out and took a look at the procession as it passed on its way to Liberty Park.

Monday, July 9, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I bought some things for babe and sent them by mail— a bonnet, two shirts, shoes, a dress, and some lace.

I endorsed Hyrum Groesbeck's note at the Deseret bank for \$4,500.00. I also signed a joint note to Marshall F. Dyer, Church Receiver, for \$157,666.15. The day is hot and disagreeable. We put our cow to a Holstien bull today.

The signers to the Dyer note were W. Woodruff, J. H. Smith, J. W. Taylor, Jno. Sharp, H. S. Eldridge, George Romney, J. R. Winder, James Sharp, H. Dinwoodey, LeGrand Young.

Monday, July 16, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The following named members of the Twelve were together part of the day: W. Woodruff, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself. I was granted leave of absence for three or four weeks. It was agreed to appropriate \$50,000.00 to schools.

Tuesday, July 24, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I attended the exercises at the large Tabernacle and spoke 3 minutes.

Wednesday, July 25, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I got from James Jack \$60.00. I paid J. C. Cutler \$6.50 for pants. At 11 a.m. I took train for Colorado.

Friday, July 27, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I reached Manassa about 1 p.m. and found all well. John A. Groesbeck spent a few days with us.

Monday, July 30, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I put up a wire fence between me and Bro. Huffaker.

Saturday, Aug. 4, 1888 - Manassa

The day was spent in reading.

[Stake conference in Manassa, August 12-13.]

Monday, Aug. 13, 1888 - Manassa

During the noon hour the High Council and Bishop[s] met and talked over political matters.

The high Council met and after consideration decided if the leading Republicans of the County tendered the nomination for the Legislature for him to accept and run.

Sunday, Aug. 19, 1888 - Manassa

Today in the meeting W. H. Cory and a Miss Monday were married by President S. S. Smith. Bro. J. Morgan and I spoke on the subject of Marriage.

Tuesday, Aug. 21, 1888 - Manassa

I am to restore Bp. J. I. Hart his high Priesthood all but his bishopric.

I am to visit the St. Joseph and Maricopa stakes and adjust some Indian business.

Wednesday, Aug. 22, 1888 - Manassa and Durango

John Morgan and wife Anne and two children and myse and Josephine and babe went by train to Durango. We saw many nice sights and passed many wonderful feats of engineering.

Thursday, Aug. 23, 1888 - Durango and Silverton

We went by train up to Silverton in order to see the Las Animas Gorge. We returned in the evening, having had a pleasant day. The altitude caused me to have a severe headache.

Friday, Aug. 24, 1888 - Durango

We went with Bro. Lee in his wagon, going by Fort Lewis. The country is covered with Timber and Grass and fat cattle.

We called and administered to a Bro. White who was sick. We promised him he should go to meeting and on Sunday so he did.

Tuesday, Aug. 28, 1888 - Manassa

Bro. S. S. Smith and I did today restore to John I. Hart all his rights in the Church but that of his bishopric. He wept for joy.

A water meeting was held in the evening and we decided to secure our water.

[Went to St. Joseph, Arizona, for conference and to other Arizona cities, returning to Manassa on September 25.]

Sunday, Sept. 2, 1888 - St. Joseph

R. T. Burton, D. K. Udall, J. N. Smith, L. H. Hatch, C. N. Freeman, J. T. LeSieur, J. H. Richards, William Burton and myself [met]. It was agreed unanimously that the County seat should remain at St. Johns unless the homes of the people might possibly be in danger from the Aztec Cattle Co. or the A. & P. R. Ry Co. who have title to the lands on which many of our people are located. In that case the people are to act as the Circumstances seem to demand.

In the matter of Representation to Congress, it was felt we should go with the Democratic Party.

In local Politics we side with the white man's party and take our fair share of the officers in the Legislature and County.

It was agreed that our Pluralist brethren better not run for office but make some excuse if requested to do so. J. N. Smith was not altogether clear on this. The fullest and freest talk was had on all these matters and good feeling prevailed.

Saturday, Sept. 8, 1888 - Springerville

At 10 a.m. the Conference convened under the Bowery. Several of the brethren spoke, I among the rest.

We had a drive up the valley and looked at the proposed town site and were pleased with it. We took supper with Bro. D. K. Udall and then went to a Priesthood meeting. We advised the brethren to content themselves and remain in their homes and quit moving about.

Friday, Sept. 14, 1888 - Thatcher

Bp. R. T. Burton and I had an interview with Bp. John Taylor and J. H. Martineau about his, Bro. Martineau's, immoral conduct.

We held three meetings today, one being that of the High Council. It was unanimously agreed that Bro. J. H. Martineau should make a public confession of his wrong doing and if forgiven by the people to renew his covenants by Baptism. He said he would do so.

Sunday, Sept. 16, 1888 - Pima, Arizona [stake conference]

Bro. J. H. Martineau was forgiven by the people and was baptised.

Monday, Sept. 17, 1888 - Pima

Bro. J. H. Martineau took Bro. Burton and me to Thatcher and we blessed Bro. M. [and] admonished him to guard himself for the future.

Tuesday, Sept. 18, 1888 - Thatcher

I am forty years old today.

Thursday, Sept. 20, 1888 - Mesa

Hot! Hot! The day was spent in considering the Reservoir scheme of Bro. A. M. Tinney, Bros. C. I. Robson, H. C. Rogers, C. R. Hokes, A. M. Tinney, R. T. Burton, Wm. Burton and myself being present. Every point was talked over and considered.

Friday, Sept. 21, 1888 - Phoenix

We met Governor Zuleck and [spent] two or three hours with him and am much pleased. We returned to Mesa.

Saturday, Sept. 22, 1888 - Mesa [stake conference]

The High Council met but were compelled to adjourn, owing to the heavy fall of rain and the noise it made on the Iron roof. It was decided to organize another [ward] and call it Nephi.

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1888 - Deming, New Mexico

I rode all night and all day.

Wednesday, Sept. 26, 1888 - Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Manassa

I rode all night again. I got off of the train at the wrong place and in the dark and was three hours and [a] half finding my way to Manassa. I found I had walked about 9 miles and carried about fifty pounds. I found all well.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I met in Counsel with Presidents W. Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Jos. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, B. Young, H. J. Grant, W. B. Preston, J. R. Winder, L. J. Nuttall and sundry others who passed in and

out. The delivery of means to the receiver was talked over, two cases from high Counsels passed upon.

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 1888 - Salt Lake City

It was cold and disagreeable. I was home most of the day. I went over Jordan and paid Bro. Whitaker for Cutting hay \$25.00, my son had paid him \$3.00 before. I paid \$36.70 to Coop. W. M. Co.

Thursday, Oct. 4, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I was at home under the weather with cold.

S. S. Smith, J. N. Smith and Josephine came in tonight on the train.

Friday, Oct. 5, 1888 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

The following brethren met in Council: Wilford Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, Jos. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant and Myself. We met with LeGrand Young, F. S. Richards, J. S. Rawlins, Ben Sheeks, and Col. Broadhead.

We talked over some stipulations that was wanted in the settlement with the Government.

Monday, Oct. 8, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I met several persons and gave items of Counsel. The Society holding the museum and Council house met and adjourned until the 20th. I spent the evening at F. S. Richards in company with President Wilford Woodruff, F. S. Richards, H. J. Grant and Col. Broadhead. The latter goes East tonight.

Tuesday, Oct. 9, 1888 - Salt Lake City

B. H. Roberts was ordained one of the Seven Presidents of the Seventies, Bro. Lorenzo Snow being mouth.

The heirs of the Groesbeck Estate met and decided to ask a decree of Court giving the property in bulk.

Hyrum Groesbeck was chosen for Manager. He was Instructed to pay the currant expenses and to deposit the ballance as a sinking fund.

Wednesday, Oct. 10, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I owe the Savings bank \$1,550.00 and have given 2 thousand dollars in stocks as security.

Met in Council at 10 a.m. Present: Wilford Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, Jos. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant, W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, J. R. Winder and L. J. Nuttall. The report of Bro. R. T. Burton and myself was adopted in its entirety. It was decided to hold the people of the St. Johns & Maricopa stake to their missions.

Thursday, Oct. 11, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day about the City. The following brethren met in Council a short time: W. Woodruff, B. Young, J. F. Smith, H. J. Grant, F. S. Richards, C. Nibley, L. J. Nuttall and myself. It was agreed our brethren in Idaho who might want to vote might withdraw their membership for the time being.

The Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. met and declared a 5 percent dividend.

Monday, Oct. 15, 1888 - Provo

I went to Provo today. I paid my taxes, \$2.26. I paid my sister Grace Interest \$5.00 and gave mother \$2.00.

Tuesday, Oct. 16, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The Stockholders of the Home Fire insurance Company met and selected the old board of Directors.

A dividend of 4 percent was declared. It was agreed to pay one dollar each for service for the past as officers and Directors.

[Went to Emery County for meetings, October 17-23.]

Thursday, Oct. 18, 1888 - Huntington

We rode with Bro. Molen to Huntington. The Bishop being gone, we stoped with Bro. D. C. Robins. Meeting was held in the evening. Bro. [W. B.] Preston and I both spoke. I took a vote as to the feeling of the people in regard to their Bishop. About one Quarter voted against him, a half of the remainder for him and the balance not at all.

The Presidency and Several of the high Council and other brethren were together to consider the Robins, Crandal case but all of the Council not being present it was adjourned until Saturday at Castle Dale.

Saturday, Oct. 20, 1888 - Castle Dale

At 9 a.m. the Presidency, High Council, Bishops and others of the Priesthood met to talk over public matters. The case of Robins & Crandel came up and the decision of the Council read. We explained matters and the Bp. was required to execute his decision.

We had a talk over all the troubles among the brethren and spent five hours in the consideration of these things and then we adjourned until 4 p.m.

At 4 p.m. the brethren met again and after much talk we all concluded to forgive each other and be friends.

Sunday, Oct. 21, 1888 - Ferron

We attended Sunday School and after that had the brethren together and talked over ward troubles. Nine of the brethren voted against the Bishop and explained their reasons.

Meeting was held, a good Attendance. Bro. Preston and I spoke. A vote was taken as to the feelings of the Saints in regard to the Bishop, and fourteen persons voted against him, 5 of whom were Sisters.

At 4 p.m. the brethren met again and after some talk and mutual explanations the brethren agreed to stop with the Bp. a little while longer.

Monday, Oct. 22, 1888 - Castle Dale, Huntington, Price

At Huntington several brethren met us and Crandle and Robbins presented us their case and we told them that in our opinion they had failed as partners in business and should share and share alike in all the losses.

Friday, Oct. 26, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Bros. W. Woodruff, J. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant, W. B. Preston, E. D. Woolley and J. W. Crosby Jr. talked of Kanab cattle matter and exonerated Bros. Woolley and Crosby from any intentional blame in the sale of cattle.

It was agreed tonight to advise our people not to do anything in Election matters in Idaho.

Monday, Oct. 29, 1888 - Salt Lake City

Bros. Wilford Woodruff, F. D. Richards, J. F. Smith, W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, J. R. Winder, F. S. Richards, C. Nibley, L. J. Nuttall and myself met in Council. It was learned our brethren were withdrawing from the church in Idaho in order to vote. After consideration it was concluded we could do nothing and they better go on and vote.

Bro. J. R. Winder made some explanations in regard to Pipe Spring transactions with Bro. Woolley and all felt that what had occurred was the result of misunderstanding. All concerned [exonerated?] from intentional wrong doing.

Tuesday, Oct. 30, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I let to N. C. Crump 580 head of sheep for my father's Widows at 30 cents a head per annum. Also 138 head of sheep for Willard Richards family at the same price. He signed contracts for one year.

He says the sheep was a poor lot.

Wednesday, Oct. 31, 1888 - Salt Lake City

In the evening the following brethren met at Council: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, Jos. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant, F. Richards, W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, John R. Winder, L. J. Nuttall and myself. Idaho matters were talked and it was felt some of our brethren of the News and Herald staffs should go to Idaho and write up matters for the papers.

Thursday, Nov. 1, 1888 - Provo and Salt Lake City

I went to Provo and had a talk with Mother, Charles, and Grace

over their property matters.

I rode home in a private [railroad] car with Gov. West, Commissioners Godfrey and Thomas and several others.

Friday, Nov. 9, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed from the Deseret Bank today \$5,500.00 for one year, interest at 8 percent payable quarterly. I paid \$2,500.00 at bank, \$1,400.00 to G. H. Taylor and \$1,600.00 to H. J. Grant and Co. For the money borrowed at the Deseret bank I put up as security 40 shares of Z.C.M.I. stock and 50 shares of Coop. W. & M. Co. stock.

Tuesday, Nov. 13, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The following brethren met in Council: W. Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, Jos. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant and Myself; also Jno. T. Caine, F. S. Richards, C. W. Penrose and L. J. Nuttall. The Statehood matter was talked over and another effort will be made to get into the union before the Democrats go out of power.

Thursday, Nov. 15, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I said goodbye to Sarah & and children for a while and went by train to Springville. I took my son Joseph with me. I bought some dried fruit. We got onto the D. and R.G.W. train and found Josephine and the children.

Wednesday, Nov. 21, 1888 - Manassa, Colorado

In the evening Judge L. M. Petersen, A. F. McDonald, S. Smith, W. J. Silver and I met and looked over the minutes of a special meeting of the Mexican Land and Agricultural Co. It was agreed to let land for 20 to 50 cents per acre and to pasture cattle from 50 cents to \$1.00 dollar per head and 50 cents a cord for wood.

Thursday, Nov. 22, 1888 - Manassa

I worked on the meeting house today putting on shingles.

Tuesday, Nov. 27, 1888 - Manassa

Bro. Cotton agreed to do my building [house for Josephine] and he came and laid it off and a Bro. Depriest put in the foundation. I paid him \$1.35. Bro. Cotton and one man worked a half day. I paid them \$3.00 dollars for what they did.

Wednesday, Nov. 28, 1888 - Manassa

Bro. Cotton failed to come today and I learned he could not come untill next week, so I arranged with Bro. E. Dalton to bring the brethren from off of the meeting house and work for me.

Thursday, Nov. 29, 1888 - Manassa

Four men came to work this morning.

It is thanksgiving day but we are all busy at work.

Wednesday, Dec. 5, 1888 - Manassa

Still at work at the house.

Thursday, Dec. 6, 1888 - Manassa

I went to fast meeting and was mouth in blessing 4 babies and ordaining James Paterson an Elder. Paid fast offering \$2.00 cash.

Wednesday, Dec. 12, 1888 - Manassa

Josephine and I lined our new Room.

The carpenters got through today. Lumber \$56.75, Labor \$67.00.

Monday, Dec. 17, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I paid Coop. Furniture Co. for Sarah \$5.70. I paid J. C. Cutler for two pair pants \$17.75. Dr. Jos. Richards \$20.00. I gave \$4.00 for Sunday schools.

In the evening the following brethren met in Council: W. Woodruff, F. D. Richards, B. Young, J. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, S. B. Young, W. Spry, L. J. Nuttall and myself. We talked over the killing of Bro. Richards (I should say that we deliberated in regard to him being lost[]) and concluded to make a search for him.¹³ Bros. Spry and S. B. Young withdrew and after prayer many items of business came up. We concluded to have our brethren who will be compelled to Remove from San Juan Co. strengthen our settlements in Colorado and Arizona if they were willing to do so.

We voted to pay Bro. C. Layton \$200.00 owing to him. Several other items were passed upon. We adjourned to meet Thursday night.

Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I went with Bro. C. H. Wilkin out to the pen[itentiary] and had a visit with Bro. G. Q. Cannon.

Thursday, Dec. 20, 1888 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day searching the file of the Deseret Evening News for a notice to creditors of father's estate.

In the evening President Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B.

¹³A missionary in the Southern States Mission, Alma Pascoe Richards of Morgan, Utah, evidently was murdered in Meridian, Mississippi, in August 1888. His body was not found for several months, despite a search by other missionaries and the mission president, William Spry. The body eventually was recovered and brought home for burial on June 9, 1889, in Morgan. See *Deseret Evening News*, June 7 and 13, 1889.

Young, Jos. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, L. J. Nuttall and myself met in Council. A communication [regarding amnesty] from some outside friends was read and, beginning with the youngest, each member of the twelve gave their views and we were a unite that we could not subscribe to the conditions prescribed [abandoning polygamy]. President Woodruff said all of the brethren had spoken right and had we accepted the proposition the Lord would have rejected us, as the Doctrine of celestial marriage had come to stay for all time.

Several other items of business came up and were passed upon. A good spirit was present with us and all felt first class.

Friday, Dec. 21, 1888 - Salt Lake City

The board of Directors of the Gass Co. elected me President today and fixed my salary at five hundred dollars a year.

Monday, Dec. 24, 1888 - Salt Lake City

W. N. Williams Jr. died this morning of Diptheria. We buried him in the afternoon, holding the Services at the Grave. W. Beatie and I spoke a few words. It was stormy.

I gave bonds as President of the Gas Company. The board of Directors wrote a letter to the Regents of the University in regard to laying pipes to the University building.

Sarah and I bot a few things for the children.

Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1888 - Salt Lake City

At home with the children all day. Baby is gaining a little.

Wednesday, Dec. 26, 1888

In the evening Bros. W. Woodruff, F. D. Richards, Jos. F. Smith, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, F. S. Richards and Myself met and Bro. F. S. Richards reported the progress of affairs at Washington. It was agreed Jason Mack [Joseph F. Smith] should go to Washington.

Monday, Dec. 31, 1888 - Salt Lake City

My brother Charles and I arranged to remove the dead from my lot to the Grave yard.

Thursday, Jan. 3, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I paid Grant Bros. Co. \$7.75 for carriage hire. I paid the Herald \$10.00 and Interest at the Bank \$38.75. I met with the Groesbeck heirs and we came to the conclusion to incorporate the Estate. All were present except Josephine.

Friday, Jan. 4, 1889 - Salt Lake City

We moved our dead this morning and I offered a short prayer over the graves.

We paid \$82.00 for the work done.

[Went to Colorado to conferences there and in San Juan County, Utah, January 5-February 20.]

Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1889 - Manassa

I paid E. Dalton for Lumber \$7.00 and Jesse Smith \$2.50, which finishes the payments on our house. Patriarch E. Dalton gave me and my daughter Sarah A. our blessings.

Sunday, Jan. 13, 1889 - Mancos, Colorado

We held two meetings and B. Young and I spoke at each. A good spirit prevailed. It is a stormy day.

Monday, Jan. 14, 1889 - Mancos

In the evening we attended a party and had a pleasant time. Bro. F. M. Lyman was to receive his sentence today.

Tuesday, Jan. 22, 1889 - Bluff, San Juan County, Utah

Cold. At 10 a.m. conference convened, President F. A. Hammond presiding. Several brethren made reports and Bro. B. Young spoke a short time. 2 p.m. Bros. F. A. Hammond and Wm. Halls and I occupied most of the time. It was agreed by vote of the people we should organize a high Council.

Thursday, Jan. 24, 1889 - Bluff

The brethren interested in the Mancos Mill Co.s affairs met with B. Young and myself. The day was spent in taking testimony, three meetings being held.

Saturday, Jan. 26, 1889 - Bluff

Cold. Three meetings were held on the Mancos Mill trouble. Bro. B. Young is under the weather with a bad eye. All interested parties signed an agreement to abide our decision.

Monday, Jan. 28, 1889 - Bluff

Cold. Two meetings on Mancos Mill affairs. All testimony being in, on Motion of Wm. Hall, seconded by O. C. Roberts, the whole matter was left in the hands of the arbitrators. We went to a party in the evening.

Tuesday, Jan. 29, 1889 - Bluff

Cold. Bro. B. Young is still quite poorly. Arbitrators on Mill trouble met and L. H. Redd with them. All of the minutes made during the trial were read and all items of recrimination indulged in by any body struck out. It took all day to go through these.

Thursday, Jan. 31, 1889 - Bluff

We completed our decision and Bro. L. H. Redd wrote it out.

Friday, Feb. 1, 1889 - Bluff

I spent the entire day trying to settle the differences existing between Bro. Joseph F. Barton and his sister-in-law Mrs. Parthenia Barton. They came to the conclusion to bury forever their troubles and try and be friends.

Monday, Feb. 4, 1889 - Bluff

During my visit I have called on every family in the city.

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 1889 - Cortez, Colorado

We drove to the Mancos and found that George and William Halls had gone to Durango. Bro. O. C. Roberts, after reading his Copy of our decision, said he thought he could not abide it, but he may change his mind.

We put up with William Hyde. I blest a baby for Bro. Samuel Hammond, gave him the name of John Henry at the mother's request.

Thursday, Feb. 7, 1889 - Mancos and Durango, Colorado

Bro. F. A. Hammond and I drove to Durango. The day passed pleasantly.

We put up at the Strater house and the Halls bros. came and we talked over the Mancos Mill matter and they said they would do all they could to bring about peace.

I received two letters from W. C. Spence, one containing passes over the D. and R.G. and the D. and R.G.W., also over the U.C.R.R.

Friday, Feb. 15, 1889 - Manassa, Colorado

Josephine gave me a power of attorney to transact her business.

Saturday, Feb. 16, 1889 - Manassa

Snowing and blowing like wrath.

I bought one thousand dollars of Josephine's interest in her father's Estate and gave my note payable in three years without interest. This is to give me a voice in her business affairs.

Thursday, Feb. 21, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I got three hundred dollars from J. Jack and paid that amount of tithing. I paid \$10.00 for George and \$75.00 for Josephine.

I got from Hyrum Groesbeck

G. H. Booth's rent money	\$45.00
Kirkpatrick's " "	60.00
2nd Dividend from estate	75.00
1st " " "	200.00
Paid Taxes	178.75

Tithing	75.00
repairs on house	5.00
Water rate	13.00
I paid Bp. Preston—got from Bp. J. Nelson	20.00

Friday, Feb. 22, 1889 - Salt Lake City

H. J. Grant and Wife and myself and Wife, John Morgan and Wife went out to the pen. We had a nice visit with F. M. Lyman and a number of other brethren.

Saturday, Feb. 23, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Their were meetings of the Home Insurance Co. Directors. They [own?] a lot of Provo factory stock. It was agreed to buy the Theatre and to consolidate the Provo and Jennings woollen factories next fall.

The Grant Bros. Livery stable board made a purchase of Mulloy and Pauls transfer business for \$8,500.00.

Sunday, Feb. 24, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I was at the 17th ward Sunday School in the morning. I put \$182.00 in H. J. Grant's hand to pay interest.

Monday, Feb. 25, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I had a short visit with President W. Woodruff. Eighteen Elders were set apart for missions today by H. J. Grant and myself.

I sold five thousand dollars of my stock in Z.C.M.I. and bot the same amount in the Home Fire Insurance Co.

Tuesday, Feb. 26, 1889 - Salt Lake City

H. J. Grant and I went out to the Pen and had a long visit with Br. F. M. Lyman. We bot 10 bushels of Apples and sent to the prisoners.

Tonight Hyrum Groesbeck and I took up a labor with Sam Groesbeck about selling Whiskey and he said he would quit it.

Wednesday, Feb. 27, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, W. B. Preston, R. T. Burton, J. R. Winder, L. J. Nuttall and myself met in Council. The Theatre was sold for fifty thousand dollars. Eight thousand dollars was appropriated to help the Ogden Standard.

Thursday, Feb. 28, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Bros. W. Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, L. J. Nuttall and I met in Council. Several items of business were attended to. The Theatre sale was confirmed. We are to help the Ogden Herald \$8,000.00.

The matter of F. Armstrong selling Street RR Stock to an outsider was referred to Bro. Woodruff.

Quite a large party went out to Saltair by special train to witness the operation of manufacturing salt.

Friday, March 1, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The Groesbeck heirs got together in the evening and agreed to incorporate.

Saturday, March 2, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The Groesbeck heirs are having incorporation papers drawn up. We have agreed to incorporate for three hundred thousand dollars, each share twenty-five dollars.

Sunday, March 3, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I baptised and confirmed my son Winslow Farr today. He was eight years old on January 19.

Monday, March 4, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Groesbeck heirs met and were together during the forenoon.

I wrote to Josephine, sending her a draft for one hundred dollars.

Tuesday, March 5, 1889 - Salt Lake City

We were busy all day at the Wasatch going through Papers and Deeds.

The Estate is valued as follows

Wasatch and Groesbeck block	222,000.00
Stocks, bonds, notes and sundry other things	78,000.00

Deeds were made from the heirs to the incorporation.

We owe to Goldberg for ours due forty-five thousand dollars and twenty thousand for William and John Groesbeck. We also owe to the Deseret Bank five thousand dollars. John and William have our bank and Z.C.M.I. stock collated for \$10,000. It is worth about \$22,000.00. We have taken a lien on John and William Groesbeck's stock in the Groesbeck Co. to secure us for their debts.

Friday, March 8, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Our incorporation of the Groesbeck Estate is complete. N. H. Groesbeck, President; William Groesbeck Vice President; John A., Samuel, Hyrum and Joseph S. Groesbeck, Helen M. Morgan and Myself Directors, Hyrum, Secretary Treasurer and Manager; William, assistant.

Hyrum's Salary is to be \$150.00 per month, William \$100.00 per month.

Tuesday, March 12, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Gas Co. met and fixed the Wages as follows: President \$500.00, Vice President \$500.00, Directors \$100.00 each, Manager \$5,000.

Wednesday, March 13, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The weather is showery. Bros. W. Woodruff, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, L. J. Nuttall, and myself met in Council. It was decided to lend the Goose Creek people \$8,000.00 to buy water rights. President Woodruff wanted to know the views of the brethren in regard to the doings and sayings of Bro. J. W. Taylor in regard to J. T. Caine utterances at Washington. It was the feeling that Bro. Taylor should make amends to Bro. Caine.

Thursday, March 14, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The parties who are organizing the Home Life Insurance Co. met at the Deseret Bank and opened the subscriptions for the stock. They agreed to pay \$115.00 per share for Z.C.M.I. The Livery Stable Directors met and concluded not to go into the wagon business.

Wednesday, March 20, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The Life Insurance Co. is fully organized, the Capital all paid up. I have five thousand dollars in that company.

Saturday, March 23, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The Stockholders of the U.C.R.R. met at Superintendent Sharp's office and voted to consolidate with the Oregon Short Line and Utah and Northern R.R.

Tuesday, April 2, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I received \$150.00 salary from the Gass Co. I paid Coop Furniture Co. \$100.00, Jinkins \$3.05, Livery Stable \$2.00. Elder George Teasdale arrived from England last night.

Wednesday, April 3, 1889 - Salt Lake City

W. Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, George Teasdale, H. J. Grant, L. J. Nuttall, M. Thatcher, myself and part of the time W. B. Preston met in Council.

A difference between Bros. Cannon and Thatcher was talked. A decision of the Salt Lake high Council was sustained.

P. P. Pratt's book question was duly considered. E. Snow accounts with the church were squared off.

Thursday, April 4, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Bros. D. H. Wells, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and I went out to

see F. M. Lyman, J. Clark and Wm. Maughan at the pen. Josephine and two of the children came in today.

Friday, April 5, 1889 - Salt Lake City

[Meeting of First Presidency and Council of Twelve Apostles] W. Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, Jos. F. Smith, M. Thatcher, G. Teasdale, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, L. J. Nuttall and myself being present. President W. Woodruff stated he felt it was time to organize the first Presidency. L. Snow spoke and moved that W. Woodruff be president and name his Councillors. All present spoke in favor of organizing the presidency and Bro. W. Woodruff was unanimously sustained. He chose for Councillors G. Q. Cannon and Jos. F. Smith. After a few explanations by some of the brethren they were both unanimously accepted.

Bro. L. Snow was made President of the Twelve and F. D. Richards Historian of the church.

Saturday, April 6, 1889 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

Conference convened at 10 a.m., President W. Woodruff presiding. W. Woodruff, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, G. Q. Cannon, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, D. H. Wells and Myself were on the stand. All of the Seven Presidents of the Seventy except Bro. C. D. Fjeldsted were present and representatives from most of the stakes were in attendance.

Sunday, April 7, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Conference opened at 10 a.m.

At the afternoon meeting W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith were sustained as first Presidents of the church. Lorenzo Snow as President of the Twelve, F. D. Richards as Historian. The vote was taken by Quorums. All of the other general Authorities were sustained. Presidents Woodruff and L. Snow spoke.

An overflow meeting was held in the assembly hall.

Monday, April 8, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Conference at 10 a.m. Bro. F. D. Richards occupied most of the morning hour. F. M. Lyman came out of the Penitentiary this morning and spoke a short time at the afternoon meeting. Bro. G. Q. Cannon also spoke same. Conference adjourned for six months. A splendid Conference has passed and is gone.

Tuesday, April 9, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and Twelve met at 10 a.m. W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, G. Teasdale, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, L. J. Nuttall, and myself met in Council and talked over business matters. We agreed to meet every Thursday at 2 p.m.

I paid a note for \$1,500.00 at Savings bank with money borrowed at Deseret [Bank?].

Wednesday, April 10, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed \$131.00 from my father's Estate yesterday.

Friday, April 12, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Home Fire Insurance Directors.

Saturday, April 13, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I bot of Young Bros. a Piano and am to make quarterly payments. Price \$335.00.

Sunday, April 14, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day with J.

Tuesday, April 16, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Home Fire Insurance Co. met at 12:30 p.m. and talked over some of its investments. The Coop. Wagon and Machine board also met and talked over the question of going into business at Eagle Rock, Idaho and we decided to do so.

Thursday, April 18, 1889 - Salt Lake City

President Joseph F. Smith requested me to go before the Grand Jury and give testimony to indict him for unlawfull cohabitation. I consented to do so through friendship alone.

Saturday, April 19, 1889 - Salt Lake City and Nephi

I was with Jos. F. Smith part of the day. H. J. Grant and I went to Nephi to attend conference. We put up with Sister Teasdale.

Monday, April 22, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I was subpoenaed to go before the grand jury. Upon going to the jury room I was wanted in the Joseph F. Smith case. I gave my testimony in the case as follows:

Jos. F. Smith is my cousin. He had three wives to my knowledge. I did not know whether they had babies or not. I told them he had not taken any wives inside of three years. J. F. Wells and H. C. Spence were sent for and testified in the same case.

Saturday, April 27, 1889 - Salt Lake City and Franklin, Idaho

H. J. Grant and [I] went by train to Franklin, Idaho. We put up with Bro. G. C. Parkinson. He is keeping away from the officers.

Tuesday, April 30, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Bro. Grant and I returned to the City. On the train I found my Uncle H. C. Libbey and wife coming down from Oregon.

Thursday, May 2, 1889 - Salt Lake City and Provo

My uncle and I went to Provo. We found Mother sick and took her home with us.

Friday, May 3, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I took Uncle and Aunt out riding. Josephine and I spent the evening at Aunt B. W. Smith.

Thursday, May 9, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and Myself met at the Gardo and dedicated a room for prayer and had a pleasant time.

Friday, May 10, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I endorsed two checks for \$100.00 and \$12.50 and paid them over to H. J. Grant and Co. I signed a note dated yesterday for \$1,000.00. I turned \$900.00 over to H. J. Grant, \$800 to be paid to Oglesby, one hundred to be credited on my account.

Saturday, May 11, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent by me looking after my own affairs.

In the evening W. B. Preston, A. T. McDonald and myself met and talked over the Mexican land matter. We estimated that about three thousand dollars could now be realized from the property but it would be eaten up in expenses.

Tuesday, May 14, 1889 - Spanish Fork

I went by U.C.R.R. train to Spanish Fork and attended to some business. I got certificates of stock for 19 shares in Spanish Fork Coop. I went to D. & R. G. Train. Josephine, Don C., Joseph H. and Lucy had got on all right. My Uncle H. C. Libbey and wife were also along.

Sunday, May 19, 1889 - Manassa, Colorado

At 10 a.m. Conference convened in the new meeting house. S. S. Smith, Bp. Berthelsen and John Morgan were the speakers.

In the afternoon M. Christiansen and two or three other besides myself were the speakers. We had a nice attendance of people.

Tuesday, May 21, 1889 - Manassa

Working in the garden all day.

Friday, May 24, 1889 - Manassa

I was putting up fence and making head gates and Irrigating land all day.

Monday, May 27, 1889 - Manassa

I spent part of the day putting in garden.

Thursday, May 30, 1889 - Manassa

Bro. John Morgan received a telegram from Jas. Tollman at Meridian, Mississippi. "Found it. Five hundred dollars will cover all expenses. Shall I come with it." I decided that Bro. Morgan was to go to Meridian after the body of Bro. Richards and put in his hands one hundred dollars.¹⁴

I did bid my family goodbye and drove to LaJara.

Saturday, June 1, 1889 - Salt Lake City

On train all night. Reached home and found all well. I called upon Bros. Woodruff and Cannon and told them of Bro. J. Morgan's journey after the body of Bro. Richards. They endorsed what I had done.

Monday, June 3, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I drew from J. Jack \$150.00. I paid one hundred dollars to Sarah. I delivered \$75.00 dollars & gave my IOU to Bp. J. R. Winder money sent by S. S. Smith to the office. I called upon E. G. Woolley and got transportation from Milford to Beaver. I had a visit with President Woodruff and J. F. Smith. I was at the Wasatch and attend[ed] to business. Hyrum Groesbeck paid me \$28.00 dollars of Josephine's money. I paid \$20.00 of it to Miss Millie Morgan. At 4 p.m. I left home for Milford.

Monday, June 10, 1889 - Orderville

The following telegram received Dated June 8. Brother Richards body arrived Ogden this morning, home tomorrow. Our friend stopped at Manassa. All well. W. Woodruff.

Tuesday, June 11, 1889 - Kanab

We drove through to Pipe Springs, Arizona where we spent the night. The stockholders of the Kanab Coop. Cattle herd held a meeting and elected E. D. Woolley, J. W. Crosby, D. Seegmiller, L. C. Mariger and myself Directors. I was then elected President, E. D. Woolley Vice President, D. Seegmiller Vice President and L. C. Mariger Secretary and Treasurer. The board approved of the action of the superintendent in build[ing] a Reservoir and fencing a small field at Two Mile spring.

I was taken in as a partner with Woolley, Seegmiller, Mariger, and Crosby in the purchase of cattle from the church at \$10.50 per head. The K Co. agreed to buy this stock at \$12.50 per head.

Bro. Woolley on buying Cattle was to pay \$1,000.00 down which is paid by sales of Cattle and in one year \$2,000.00 and next year \$2,500.00 more or less, interest at 8 percent. It was decided to pay the Superintendent \$500.00 for the present year. It was thought it would cost about one per head for care.

¹⁴See footnote 13.

Sunday, June 23, 1889 - Parowan

At 10 a.m. Conference convened. Singing, Prayer, Singing.

Presidents Jones and Richards and five Bishops reported the condition of stakes and wards and in their reports stated that there was a feeling in the breasts of some not to pay tithing. Bro. F. M. Lyman spoke on the subject.

The Priesthood met at 6 p.m. The name of Wm. Marsden was submitted to the Priesthood for Stake Patriarch and 51 voted in his favor and 65 against him. James Dalley was submitted to the people for Patriarch and unanimously received by vote.

Tuesday, June 25, 1889 - Parowan

I stoped at Joseph Barton's overnight. During the night I was disturbed by a man knocking at the doors and wanting to find Barton.

Thursday, June 27, 1889 - Beaver City

Three meetings were held with the Priesthood and a good understanding reached among the brethren.

It was learned today that it was the officers that disturbed me at Bro. J. Barton's. They had arrested him.

Saturday, June 29, 1889 - Beaver City [stake conference]

We held a Priesthood meeting. The brethren who held bad feelings to each other said they would go to each other and make wrongs right and all formally voted for each other.

Monday, July 1, 1889 - Beaver, Greenville and Adamsville

We held meetings at Greenville and Adamsville and had a pleasant time. All of the ward authorities were presented to the people and sustained. Bp. Morris confessed he had been intoxicated and was forgiven.

Tuesday, July 2, 1889 - Minersville

President J. D. T. McAllister was arrested at Milford this morning and brought to this place and put under \$1,500.00 bonds.

Friday, July 5, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I met in Council with Presidents Woodruff & Cannon, H. J. Grant, a number of the Presidents of Stakes, and other brethren and talked over the Political situation.

Monday, July 8, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I was in Council with the Presidency most of the day. I went to Ogden and returned home during the evening. My object was to see Bro. L. W. Shurtleff over political matters.

Tuesday, July 9, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I was in Council with a number of brethren most of the day talking over the political situation.

Thursday, July 11, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency, Bro. H. J. Grant, F. D. Richards and the members of the City Council and several of the brethren who had been adjitating the water matters were together and talked over the situation and water supply.

I went out to the Lake with my wife and had a pleasant time.

Friday, July 12, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Coop. Wagon & Machine Co. met and looked over the last month's business and found that our sales amounted to sixty four thousand dollars for the month. Sarah and I took a ride during the evening.

Sunday, July 14, 1889 - Provo

I said good bye for a time to wife and children and went to Provo and preached in the afternoon. I also had a nice visit with mother, my sister Grace and her husband and brother Charles and his family, my sister Mary and her husband.

In the evening I took train for Manassa.

Wednesday, July 24, 1889 - Manassa, Colorado

This the 42 anniversary of the arrival of the pioneers in the Salt Lake Valley was celebrated by the people. I was the Orator of the day.

I baptised and confirmed my son Nicholas Groesbeck today. He was eight years old on the 20th of June.

Thursday, Aug. 1, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I attended fast meeting and blest two babies. Joseph Groesbeck's and W. Batie's. I met Bros. G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith and H. J. Grant, and it was concluded that I had better go to Emery and look well into political affairs.

[Went to Price, Huntington, Orangeville, and Castle Dale for political meetings.]

Monday, Aug. 5, 1889 - Price and Salt Lake City

2 a.m. I left for home and got there at 7:40 a.m. and found all well. I slept most of the day.

The Liberals carried the first Precinct of this City.

Tuesday, Aug. 6, 89 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the office with Presidents Woodruff, Cannon, and Smith. The Home Life Insurance Co. held its Directors [meeting] at 12:15 and declared a two percent dividend.

Friday, Aug. 9, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Coop. Wagon & M. Co. met and heard the monthly reports read and we were well pleased with what had been done. At 7:05 I took train for Emery Co.

Saturday, Aug. 10, 1889 - Price

At 2 p.m. we had a meeting with the Huntington brethren over the Water question and they agreed to let me and the Presidency Arbitrate. The afternoon was spent in hearing evidence. After a four-hour sitting we did adjourn untill tomorrow.

Sunday, Aug. 11, 1889 - Castle Dale, Emery County

Conference at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Priesthood meeting at noon and water meeting from four p.m. until late in the evening. Adjourned until Monday. I spoke at all of these meetings.

Monday, Aug. 12, 1889 - Castle Dale

Water meeting at 9 a.m.

Conference at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Water meetings 12:21 and 4 p.m. After hearing all of the evidence we made the following decision.

Calling the Huntington Creek one hundred parts. It is our decision that Bro. Powell should have five shares of water at the head of his ditch, and that the Cleveland Canal Co. have twelve shares of the head of the Canal taken from the following ditches

Three shares from Huntington Canal

1/2	"	"	Crandal ditch
1	"	"	Wakefield "
1/4	"	"	W. O. Smith
1	"	"	Humble "
2	"	"	Avery "
1/4	"	"	Daysipper "

and that the surplus after filling all of the canals or ditches as they are at present go to the Cleveland Canal until it is full to its present capacity as a first secondary right.

John Henry Smith
C. G. Larsen
Orange Seely

[Went on to Manassa for conference, returning August 24.]

Monday, Sept. 2, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at home. The Directors of the Gas Co. held a meeting. The People's party held primary meeting this evening in the city precincts. I was elected a delegate to the Convention.

Wednesday, Sept. 4, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I was with the Presidency talking over our political situation.

Thursday, Sept. 5, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Convention in the evening.

Friday, Sept. 6, 1889 - Provo and Salt Lake City

I went to Provo and spent the day. Mother and I had a buggy ride. I paid Boshard \$1.50. I sent Josephine a draft for \$50.00. I returned home and attended the Convention in the evening.

Saturday, Sept. 7, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed \$300.00 of my Mother and am to pay eight percent per annum. I paid three hundred dollars on the note of J. W. Crosby, Jr. E. D. Woolley, L. C. Marriger and D. Seegmiller. I was to have joined Bro. F. M. Lyman and to have gone to Nephi but I failed to think of the train time.

Tuesday, Sept. 10, 1889 - Manti

We went to the Temple and had a bath, ate breakfast and attended the meeting.

Bros. D. H. Wells, F. M. Lyman, Canute Peterson, Henry Beal, J. B. Maiben, Bp. W. T. Reid, Jens Neilson, L. T. Tuttle, J. H. Hougard, F. T. Kenner, John Lowery, Albert Tuttle, M. N. Luke & C. P. Larsen. We talked over their political troubles, each one of the parties interested speaking in their own favor.

Thursday, Sept. 12, 1889 - Manti

We were with the brethren all day and finally agreed to forgive each other. Young J. H. Lowery showed a rather bad spirit.

Friday, Sept. 13, 1889 - Ephraim and Spring City

Bro. Lyman and I went on the bond of Bro. J. W. Jackson for four hundred dollars and his wife for two hundred dollars.

We went to meeting and both spoke. Bro. Lyman had good liberty. I was dull.

Wednesday, Sept. 18, 1889 - Nephi and Salt Lake City

I am 41 years old today. I returned home. Sarah was at Ogden. I passed a short time with Presidents W. Woodruff & J. F. Smith.

In the evening quite a large company of friends paid me a visit. The evening was spent in chat.

Friday, Sept. 20, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I was as busy as a bee all day. Bro. Lyman, J. Jack and myself went out to the Penitentiary and had a short visit with ten of the brethren.

The Gass Co. Directors met and examined their accounts.

B. Young, F. M. Lyman, J. W. Taylor and myself met and agreed to recommend the establishment of a Church Bureau of Information in regard to our history and doctrine. I set a young man apart to go to Ann Arbor and study law. The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. decided to put steam heat into the Wasatch building.

Monday, Sept. 23, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I mailed Josephine a draft for one hundred dollars.

Thursday, Sept. 26, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself with L. J. Nuttall met and had prayers. After this Nuttall withdrew and we talked over the filling of our Quorum.

Friday, Sept. 27, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Sister Zina D. H. Young and Myself took train for Thompson Springs on our way to Moab. We rode all night.

Sunday, Sept. 29, 1889 - Moab

The meeting house 22 x 32 was dedicated and conference was held. I offered the prayer. Several of the brethren spoke. The House cost \$1,181.40 and seats 140 persons.

Meetings we[re] held afternoon and evening at both of which I spoke. Sister Young occupied part of the time in the evening.

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself met in Council. President W. Woodruff presented the names of M. W. Merrill, A. H. Lund and A. H. Cannon to fill the Quorum of Twelve and all present did endorse them.

Saturday, Oct. 5, 1889 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

I attended the Stockholders meetings of Z.C.M.I. and the Gas Co. and was only a short time at the Conference. I spoke a few moments.

Sunday, Oct. 6, 1889 - Salt Lake City

General Authorities were sustained today. An overflow meeting was held today in the assembly Hall.

Thursday, Oct. 10, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, J. H. Smith, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, A. H. Lund and A. H. Cannon met in Council and talked over tithing matters, the rights of the Presidency and of the Presiding Bishopric. We were together most all day. In the evening L. Snow, B. Young, F. M.

Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Young, J. W. Taylor, A. H. Cannon and myself met in Council and came to the conclusion we better build a College and Hotel.

Saturday, Oct. 12, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I drew from the Coop. W. & M. Co. my dividend of \$130.00 and paid a bill they had against me of \$126.45. They knocked off[f] \$20.00 and I paid \$106.45. I got \$60 from Hyrum Groesbeck.

[Went to Manassa, October 14-24.]

Monday, Oct. 28, 1889 - Salt Lake City

It stormed all day. I paid my City taxes, \$43.60 and attended a meeting of Directors of Coop. W. & M. Co.

Wednesday, Oct. 30, 1889 - Salt Lake City

My taxes for school, county, and Territorial were \$112.50. I paid them today.

Thursday, Oct. 31, 1889 - Salt Lake City and Provo

I went to Provo today and my taxes there was 5 dollars. I paid them. I also paid mother 6 dollars for use of money and gave her my note for three hundred dollars. I returned home in the evening.

Friday, Nov. 1, 1889 - Salt Lake City

The Gas Co., of which I am President, is in trouble with the City over the sewer work endangering their property. I have been figuring at this matter a number of days.

Wednesday, Nov. 6, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I was busy most of the day over the Gas Co. business with a committee from the City Council.

Thursday, Nov. 7, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Coop. Wagon & M. Co. Directors met. I talked on Polatics in the 2nd Bishops ward.

Friday, Nov. 8, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the City all day.

I borrowed \$5,500.00 for one year at 8 percent per annum and gave \$6,500.00 Z.C.M.I. & Coop. W. & M. stock as security.

Wednesday, Nov. 13, 1889 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

It stormed this morning. We attended the funeral of May [Farr] and L. Farr and myself did the talking.

I returned to the City and met in Council with L. Snow, H. J. Grant, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Lund, J. W. Taylor, A. D. Thatcher, LeGrand

Young, James H. Moyle, J. W. Young, C. W. Penrose and others, and all hands felt that the enemy had laid a deep scheme to steal the City [politically] in February. Bros. Lund, Thatcher, myself and others were released to go on the witness stand and answer our enemies.

Thursday, Nov. 14, 1889 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. I went to Court, Judge Anderson presiding.

A number of Witnesses was put on the stand to show that the Saints were murderous and disloyal and that in the [temple] endowments men obligated themselves to murder. Apostates by the name of Bond, Wardel, Spillet, Gilmore, McGufier, Cahoon, & Axtel were sworn and gave testimony filled with lies. The day was consumed by new witnesses.

Friday, Nov. 15, 1889 - Salt Lake City

At Court all day. Documentary evidence was also introduced by Dixon and Baskin trying to establish their views. I never felt such a spirit as that in the Court room.

Saturday, Nov. 16, 1889 - Salt Lake City

E. G. Woolley, J. H. Anderson, and Myself were put on the stand. Also A. D. Thatcher, A. H. Lund were put on the stand and all gave good straight testimony but refused to tell the secrets of the house of the Lord.

Monday, Nov. 18, 1889 - Salt Lake City

10 a.m. at Court. A number of Witnesses were put on the stand, among them E. L. T. Harrison, I. J. Richards, and several of the Wardel family, who [told?] his story about the killing of one Green on the plains in 1857.

The day was consumed by the Witnesses.

Tuesday, Nov. 19, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Several Witnesses were on the stand during the morning hour, among them C. W. Penrose.

At the afternoon session the Court went to the City Hall and Bro. Penrose took up almost the entire afternoon. Mr. Dixon asked him how many wives he had and he refused to answer. Court adjourned until morning to give him time to think.

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Bro. C. W. Penrose was sent to Prison for Contempt of Court and Court adjourned for a day. I took train for Colorado tonight.

[Stayed in Manassa, Colorado, until December 4.]

Tuesday, Dec. 10, 1889 - Salt Lake City

F. M. Lyman and family left for Colorado last evening. I sent \$65.00 to Josephine by him.

I spoke at the 8th ward Political Club for an hour.

My Cousin Joseph Smith of the Reorganized Church spent an hour or two at my house.

Wednesday, Dec. 11, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Joseph Smith and I called upon Wilford Woodruff and spent a short time with him.

Thursday, Dec. 12, 1889 - Salt Lake City

W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, H. J. Grant, Abraham H. Cannon and myself met and had Prayers.

Friday, Dec. 13, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Those of us present at yesterday's meeting passed upon some small items, and among them to publish a Manifesto denying the allegations of Judge Anderson.

Monday, Dec. 16, 1889 - Salt Lake City

In the evening I attended the Political Club of the Scandinavians and spoke a short time.

Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the City most of the day.

In the evening I spoke to the Political Club of the 22nd Ward.

Thursday, Dec. 19, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Home Fire and Life companies met together and talked over business arrangements. It was voted to the President of the Home Fire \$50.00 per month salary.

The following brethren met in Council: W. Woodruff, J. F. Smith, F. D. Richards, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, A. H. Cannon, J. W. Young and myself. We had prayers and Bro. Woodruff had Bro. L. J. Nuttall read a revelation the Lord had given him in which we his servants were told to remain true to our collors and he would protect his little flock. How happy I am.

Monday, Dec. 23, 1889 - Salt Lake City

Joseph Smith the Prophet was 84 years old today. The Saints are celebrating it by fasting and prayer. W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon, J. W. Young, D. H. Wells and I met and dressed in our [temple] Robes and Each prayed in turn, commencing with Bro. D. H. Wells and closing with Bro. Woodruff. We Knelt in a circle. Bro. F. M. Lyman came in just as we closed. The good spirit prevailed to a wonderfull extent.

Wednesday, Dec. 25, 1889 - Salt Lake City

I was at home all day with the little folks.

Wednesday, Jan. 1, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I attended the funeral of Francis Cope at the 18th ward meeting house. . . . The room was full of people of various shades of faith.

Thursday, Jan. 2, 1890 - Salt Lake City

The children have the mumps. I spoke in the evening to the 19th ward political club.

Friday, Jan. 3, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I drew from J. Jack \$200.00 and from Coop. W. & M. Co. \$90.00 and from H. Groesbeck \$60.00. I sent Josephine \$110.00 and gave Sarah \$150.00, \$7.50 to Almina Farr for interest. I paid Coop. Furniture Co. \$16.00.

Saturday, Jan. 4, 1890 - Deseret, Millard County

We put up at Bishop J. Black's. The entire day was spent in examining into the troubles between the Bishop and the Teachers. It was found that the Bishop was in error but he seemed quite stubborn.

Sunday, Jan. 5, 1890 - Deseret

Cold. The entire day was taken up in meetings. Bishop Black finally confessed that he had told an untruth and the saints forgave him.

Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1890 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Gas Co. met at my house. We remitted the amount paid by superintendent for Gas for his home. The Salary of the President was fixed at \$1,000.00 for the present year.

Monday, Jan. 13, 1890 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. met at 12:15 and again at 6:30 p.m. and heard reports and found the business for the year had been over \$500,000.00. We declared a dividend of 7 percent. The Stockholders met and elected the old board. I paid Young Bros. \$80.00 today.

Thursday, Jan. 15, 1890 - Salt Lake City

Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met at 10 a.m. 12:50 p.m. New Directors of Coop. W. & M. Co. met and Qualified. I drew my salary of \$100.00 from Coop. W. & M. Co.

In the evening I spoke at the 21st ward political club.

Saturday, Jan. 18, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I was at home during the forenoon. Some of the brethren met at the Gardo and talked over school matters. It was agreed to aid and to seek to get a good general school law and to have free schools.

Thursday, Jan. 23, 1890 - Salt Lake City

A Council was held in which political matters were talked over and the feeling was that our brethren should be as cautious as possible and make a good selection of names.

Sunday, Jan. 26, 1890 - Evanston, Wyoming

We held three meetings in the new house. W. W. Cluff, A. Eldridge, Bp. Brown, O. F. Whitney and myself did the speaking. I offered the dedicatory prayer. A good spirit prevailed. Many outsiders present. The house is 30 x 50 and is gothic in style. Non-Mormons Contributed \$1,300 to help build it.

Wednesday, Jan. 29, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I was busy looking after Josephine's business.

Friday, Jan. 31, 1890 - Provo

I went to the City of Provo and met Presidents Smoot and Johns and talked over the political situation. Bro. A. O. Smoot and his son Reed felt very strong against Bp. J. E. Booth, but the Convention having nominated him he, President Smoot, would sustain him.

Monday, Feb. 3, 1890 - Salt Lake City

H. J. Grant got home this last evening from his trip east. My J[osephine]. has got a daughter.

Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about home part of the day. A Directors and stockholders meeting was held of the Coop. Furniture Co. and an 8 percent dividend declared.

Wednesday, Feb. 5, 1890 - Salt Lake City and Provo

J. W. Taylor and I were sent to Provo to Consult with Bros. Smoot & Johns at Provo over political affairs. We went and had a long talk.

Friday, Feb. 7, 1890 - Salt Lake City

We returned home and reported. I got check for \$60.00 for J. from H. Groesbeck. The liberals made a grand Show tonight.

Saturday, Feb. 8, 1890 - Salt Lake City

There are many strange faces in this City and much excitement over election matters. President W. Woodruff requested the Apostles present in the City to be at the Tabernacle tomorrow.

Monday, Feb. 10, 1890 - Salt Lake City

There is considerable excitement but the election is proceeding very nicely, but hundreds are voting illegally. The Liberals carried the election by fraud, having 795 more votes polled than the people [People's Party].

[Went to Manassa and Arizona cities for conferences until March 29.]

Sunday, Feb. 16, 1890 - Manassa, Colorado [stake conference]

Josephine gave birth to a daughter Jan. 30th and Bro. F. M. Lyman blest her today and we called her Elizabeth G. Smith.

Thursday, Feb. 20, 1890 - Antineto, Conejas County, Colorado

We find the road still closed on account of Snow. We telegraphed Bro. William Halls that we could not be with them at their Conference owing to the Snow Storms.

We returned to Manassa and found all well.

We received our passes over the D. & R.G. Rway. and a letter from Bro. W. C. Spence in which he said the brethren had decided not to patronize the R.G.R.R. Company for the part it took in the City election.

Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1890 - Manassa

Windy still. This is the 9th day the wind has been blowing and the R.R. had been blocked with drifting Snow.

Saturday, March 8, 1890 - St. Johns, Arizona

Conference convened at 10 a.m. A good attendance present, the members of the Presidency spoke and Bro. Lyman followed.

The Priesthood met. It was voted that Orson Arnold might have his blessings restored.

Saturday, March 15, 1890 - Thatcher, Arizona

The brethren invited to meet came together at 10 a.m. and Bro. F. M. Lyman and I talked and sought to secure good feeling, and all of the brethren voted good fellowship for us. We had the Bishops together for a time and talked over affairs in the wards with them.

At 4 p.m. we met in Council again and Bro. W. Moody made some charges against Prest. C. Layton which he failed to prove. Charges were made against Bro. W. Moody of being vulgar and proven, and he asked the brethren to forgive him and they did. A charge was proven against Bro. C. Layton that he abused his brethren. He confessed and was forgiven. The faults of many of the brethren were spoken of and they said they would mend their ways. We were together five hours and dispersed with good feeling

Sunday, March, 16, 1890 - Thatcher and Pima, Arizona

The body of brethren together yesterday met again with W. N. Damron. President Woodruff[s] instructions to us was read and three letters from W. W. Damron to President G. Q. Cannon complaining about he course pursued by Prest. C. Layton were also read and Bro. Damron made a statement. He charged Bro. Layton with using ardent spirits and using profane language and of associating with bad men at Tucson. Witnesses were

examined and a very free us[e] of ardent spirits was fairly proven. Also the use of bad language was fairly well sustained but the other charge fell to the ground. Bro. C. Layton confessed wrongdoing and asked forgiveness, which was granted. All of the time between and after the Conference meetings until 9 p.m. was consumed in this business, and some other of the brethren confessed to their wrongs and we all forgave each other.

Monday, March 17, 1890 - Pima

Conference at 10 a.m. Elders Henry and P. C. Merrill and myself were the speakers at the morning meeting and president C. Layton and F. M. Lyman spoke. The General and local authorities were sustained. Some parties voted against the Bishop and one of his Counselors in the Pima ward.

After meeting, Wilford Weeb and his brother Leslie and two of the East boys complained against the Bishop on several small grounds but nothing of any moment proven.

Saturday, April 5, 1890 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

The Presidency and Twelve had a meeting and talked over the political situation but came to no definite conclusions.¹⁵

Wednesday, April 9, 1890 - Salt Lake City

The Council of the Twelve apostles met yesterday as a separate Quorum from the first Presidency for the first time in many years. There were present Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Moses Thatcher, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, Anton H. Lund, Abraham H. Cannon and John W. Young. We were together about 10 hours. We all spoke in turn confessing our sins and expressing our determination to live nearer the Lord in the future. We administered the Sacrament after the early order, eating our fill of bread and drinking the wine.

Friday, April 11, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I drew \$477.77 on Gass Stock sale. I paid my note to the Gas Co. for \$1,000.00 and Interest \$22.23 and took up my note. I drew my salary \$287.22 and I paid Sewer tax \$131.00 to the City Collector. I paid J. W. Snell for hauling dirt \$26.95. I paid Coop. Furniture Co. on note \$100.00. I drew dividend of Coop.

Furniture \$16.00.

I gave note to Deseret Bank for \$1,500.00 for one year at 8 percent.

¹⁵ Franklin D. Richards noted in his diary of April 5, 1890: "Deliberations were indulged in as to the propriety of splitting up the people's party into Democrats & Republicans. Did not conclude to do so."

Monday, April 14, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I took my sister Mary out to the Pen to see her sick husband [Peter Wimmer].

Wednesday, April 23, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I. M. Waddell is looking into our Estate affairs. We spent the evening together.

Sunday, May 4, 1890 - Manassa, Colorado

I paid to William Pinkam \$150.00 on building house. I paid water bill \$6.20. I paid Huffaker \$11.75 for work.

Friday, May 9, 1890 - Manassa

I bought from Thomas D. Scott Twenty acres of land and he gave me a quit claim deed to the same. He is to put up 80 rods of fence. I am to furnish the Posts and wire. I paid him \$225.00 in cash and am to purchase or rather make five payments with interest should it run the whole time. To the state \$31.25.

Tuesday, May 13, 1890 - Salt Lake City and Ogden.

I was busy about the city during the morning hour and went to Ogden in the evening in the interest of the Coop. W. & M. Co. on the Question of aiding in the building of a hotel near our wagon depot.

Monday, May 19, 1890 - Morgan City [stake conference]

At 10 a.m. Conference Bro. [Samuel] Francis and some brethren of the Bishopric reported their labors. 16 young men were passed upon to be ordained Seventies. I spoke upon Prayer & observance of the fast day and on marrying those of our own faith.

At the afternoon meeting the rest of the Bishops reported. The general and Local Authorities were sustained and Bro. [B. H.] Roberts and I both spoke a short time. We called upon Brother Richards, the father of Bro. Richards killed in the South, also his wife.

Tuesday, May 20, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I returned home. The morning papers announce that the Supreme Court has decided to confiscate our Church property, Fuller, Lamar & Field Dissenting.

Tuesday, June 3, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I sent to Josephine by John Morgan \$100.00 in Cash and a few other things. I put \$220.00 in Sarah's hand to pay bills with.

Thursday, June 5, 1890 - Beaver City

I met my son George Albert here. He is traveling for Z.C.M.I. and is feeling very well.

Friday, June 13, 1890 - Kanab

The Directors of the Kanab Coop. herd met and talked over their business. I got Certificates of stock to the amount of \$2,371.00.

Sunday, June 15, 1890 - Orderville

I am badly under the weather. I went [to] meeting and talked about 20 minutes.

Several of the brethren came in and gave me an alcohol sweat.

Thursday, June 26, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I blest Bro. Clark and Sister Harvey who are going East to visit friends. A number of the brethren met at the social Hall and talked over the political situation.

Friday, June 27, 1890 - Salt Lake City

It was decided today to release George Teasdale from the British Mission and have him go to Mexico. Bro. A. H. Lund to go to England in charge of that mission.

Monday, June 30, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I drew two hundred & 25 dollars from J. Jack and one hundred from H. J. Grant and Co.

Tuesday, July 1, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I got \$75 of Hyrum Groesbeck. I paid J. C. Cutler \$18.00 for coat and vest.

Friday, July 4, 1890 - Manassa, Colorado

The people celebrated our Nation's birthday. S. S. Smith, Sr., S. S. Smith, Jr., Albert R. Smith and their wives came and ate Ice cream with us.

The young people danced in the evening.

Wednesday, July 16, 1890 - Manassa

Telegrams were received today that officers were coming here from Utah for Mrs. Randall and Allen. They have gone [on] a visit. I wrote to Sarah. This makes three times and nothing from her.

Friday, July 18, 1890 - Manassa

I wrote up my journal for the past 22 days.

Wednesday, July 23, 1890 - Manassa

We have got our rooms papered and they look very nicely.

Monday, July 28, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I received letters from L. C. Mariger with a check for \$318.40.

I drew a dividend of \$80.34 from Coop. W. & M. Co. and ten dollars from Grant Bros. & Co. Livery.

I got from B. H. Sabutbe S.B. & T. Co. Stock Certificates for 250 shares.

Tuesday, July 29, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I got certificates for \$400.00 dollars & eight shares of Stock in Coop. W. & M. Co.

Thursday, July 31, 1890 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, F. S. Richards, H. J. Grant, Abraham H. Cannon, C. W. Penrose and Myself talked over the political Situation in Wyoming, and I was instructed to visit that state.¹⁶

Saturday, Aug. 2, 1890 - Montpelier, Idaho

Sherriff Jones let me take his team to go to Paris. Bro. F. M. Winter went with me. I attended a Priesthood meeting and talked over local affairs. Bros. Budge, Hart, Osmond, and Myself talked over Wyoming Politics and came to an understanding with each other, and I returned to Montpelier.

Monday, Aug. 4, 1890 - Salt Lake City

We returned to Salt Lake City. Bros. W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, B. Young, F. M. Lyman and myself had another talk over Wyoming Polatics and I went again to Coalville.

Wednesday, Aug. 6, 1890 - Salt Lake City

L. Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, A. H. Lund, Abraham H. Cannon and D. H. Wells met together for fasting. We spoke, broak bread and drank wine and blest each other.

Thursday, Aug. 7, 1890 - Salt Lake City

We held our regular meeting today. W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, J. H. Smith, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, A. H. Lund, A. H. Cannon and D. H. Wells were together and had prayers and talked over several items of business. Among them Bro. G. Q. Cannon's and John Beck mining trouble.

[Went to southern Idaho for conferences August 9 through 13 and

¹⁶Abraham H. Cannon sheds more light on this meeting: "Political affairs were discussed. The Democrats of Montana, Idaho and Wyoming are anxious to get Mormon votes, and have made advances to our people to accomplish this. . . . It was decided that J. H. Smith should visit Wyoming and urge our people as far as possible to vote the Republican state ticket, as a reward to Delegate Carey and his party for getting Wyoming admitted as a State without any anti-Mormon legislation in the charter, and giving women the franchise" (diary, July 31, 1890).

to Colorado and southern Utah, August 15 to September 7.]

Sunday, Aug. 17, 1890 - Manassa, Colorado

I went by train to Alamosa where Bro. Forbes met me in answer to a telegram I had sent him and he took me to LaJara and I hired a team to take me on to Manassa. I found Josephine and the children well. Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith and B. H. Roberts took supper with us and we had a pleasant time.

Priesthood meeting in the evening. Bros. Woodruff, Cannon and J. F. Smith spoke. Bro. G. Q. Cannon went home with me.

Tuesday, Sept. 9, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day looking into my tax matters. Bro. A. H. Cannon and I set apart two Elders to go to the Indian Territory on missions.

Thursday, Sept. 18, 1890 - Kanab

We met with the Presidency and High council and Kanab bishopric at 10 a.m. After the Council was organized, the Charges made by the Bishopric against the President was read. It was in substance that he had not sustained them but rather leaned with men not friendly to the Ward presiding priesthood. Bp. Lawrence C. Mariger made his statement on the first proposition and Bros. Thomas Stewart and Woolley in a measure corroborated him. We held three sittings and got through with one proposition, the one in regard to parties. We were considering the one in regard to water when we adjourned until morning.

I am 42 years old today. Sister Mariger roasted a Turkey and invited Bros. Francis M. Lyman, John W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon, Jesse W. Crosby, Edwin D. Woolley and Wife Emma, Daniel Seegmiller and Wife Artemessia, and several other persons to eat with us. The dinner was a good one and I did enjoy it very much.

Friday, Sept. 19, 1890 - Kanab

The High Council met at 9 a.m. and the members who sit on this case of the Bishopric against The Presidency are: John Rider, Edwin Ford, Ezra T. Woolley, Charles M. Carroll, Taylor Crosby, Henry E. Bowman, James Leithead, Silas Harris, Robert Moncur, M. D. Harris, Alvin Heaton, Jesse W. Crosby, Jr.

F. M. Lyman Sr., John Henry Smith, John W. Taylor, and Abraham H. Cannon presiding.

The day was spent in taking evidence.

An impromptu Concert was held in the evening. We had a pleasant time.

Bros. Lyman, Taylor, Cannon and myself got together and agreed upon our decision.

Saturday, Sept. 20, 1890 - Kanab

The High Council met at 8 a.m. The following decision was made.
Decision

In the matter of the Bishopric of the Kanab Ward against the Presidency of the Kanab Stake of Zion.

In the first Count we find the rules of the ward in regard to public dances should not have been applied to private parties; but the Presidency of the Stake should have given instructions for the correction of this matter to the Bishopric of the Ward.

The second Count pertains to an incorporate[d] water company whose business policy should be dictated by the stockholders, and while we do not approve of ecclesiastical interference in such matters, if any influence is used it should be for the promotion of union.

The third Count relating to the choice of an alternate High Councillor, needs no decision from us.

The fourth Count relates to the removal of the Kanab Bishopric by the Presidency of the Stake without a hearing before the High Council.

In this matter we find that it was a strained construction which enabled the Presidency to consider the letter of the Bishopric as a resignation, and their release was hasty and unwarranted.

Francis M. Lyman
John Henry Smith
John W. Taylor
Abraham H. Cannon

It was unanimously sustained by the High Council. We adjourned to meet at 7 p.m.

The conference convened in the stake academy building at 10 a.m. President Edwin D. Wooley, Bishops Graham McDonald and Esplin made reports and Francis M. Lyman took up the ballance of the time explaining to the people their condition and calling for repentance from certain brethren who had made some very harsh remarks about the bishop.

At the afternoon meeting Bro. Thomas Chamberlain and John Rider made reports and Elders J. W. Taylor and Abraham H. Cannon preached the gospel. A splendid spirit prevailed during the day.

The High Council and Priesthood of the Stake met at 7 p.m. the brethren nominated a number of men from whom the apostles selected by the aid of those present the bishop and Council. Bishop L. C. Mariger having resigned in the morning at the High Council meeting this action was found necessary. Joel H. Johnson was chosen for Bishop, Alfred Young for first Councillor and Asa W. Judd for second Councillor. All were unanimously sustained.

Sunday, Sept. 21, 1890 - Kanab

Conference at 10 a.m. Bros. Daniel Seegmiller, Erastus B. Snow, Francis M. Lyman Sr. and I were the speakers.

The Directors met in the evening of the Kanab Coop. herd. We agreed to pay Lorenzo Y. Brown a claim he held against the old Company as a matter of a gift. Our stock seems to be doing well.

Monday, Sept. 29, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I telegraphed to Josephine not to come to Conference. I also wrote.

Tuesday, Sept. 30, 1890 - Salt Lake City

During the morning hour I was busy about the City.

At 2 p.m. the following named brethren of the Twelve met in Council. Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Moses Thatcher, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor and Abraham H. Cannon, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Moses Thatcher, and Francis M. Lyman spoke upon the President's Manifesto in regard to the solemnization of Plural marriages and endorsed it. John W. Taylor was somewhat mixed but acknowledged the hand of the Lord in it.¹⁷

Wednesday, Oct. 1, 1890 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Moses Thatcher, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon and Anton H. Lund [met]. I spoke upon the manifesto, was not fully clear upon it. Heber J. Grant, Anton H. Lund, and Abraham H. Cannon spoke in regard to the Manifesto and endorsed it. During the day all of the brethren expressed their views upon various subjects.

I related to the brethren an answer made to me by Presid[e]nt Brigham Young to the Question "In case of your death to whom should I look to lead the Church[?]"

His answer was. To any one of the Council of the Apostles in the order of ordination, baring Orson Hyde and Orson Pratt, who had forfeited their right.¹⁸ This was in the spring of 1874. My father, George A. Smith, Bathsheba W. Smith and Amelia Folsom Young were also present and I think Erastus Snow, but am not positive.

¹⁷In late September 1890, Wilford Woodruff, assisted by several close associates, drafted a public statement banning plural marriage in the church. Woodruff's statement came to be popularly known as the Manifesto. Plural marriage outside the church continued for a time after 1890, sometimes with the support of high LDS officials. See Richard S. Van Wagoner, *Mormon Polygamy: A History* (Salt Lake City: Signature Books, 1986), 157-94.

¹⁸In the late 1830s and early 1840s apostles Orson Hyde and Orson Pratt had been dropped from their positions in the Quorum of the Twelve for a period of time. According to Brigham Young, both men consequently lost their seniority and hence the possibility of their succeeding to the presidency of the church.

Thursday, Oct. 2, 1890 - Salt Lake City

At 12 noon Presidents Wilford Woodruff, George Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Moses Thatcher, Francis W. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Anton H. Lund, Abraham H. Cannon and myself met in Council. We by vote endorsed President Woodruff's Manifesto.

The directors of the Mexican Colonization and Agricultural Board met. Present: Moses Thatcher, A. F. McDonald, John Morgan, Silas S. Smith, Wm. B. Preston and John H. Smith.

We voted to pay A. F. McDonald \$125.00 per month Mexican money for his services.

Sunday, Oct. 5, 1890 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

Presidents W. Woodruff, George Q. Cannon, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Moses Thatcher, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund and Abraham H. Cannon met in Council. We agreed to favor John T. Caine for Congress.

Monday, Oct. 6, 1890 - Salt Lake City

Conference at 10 a.m. Prayer by A. O. Smoot.

Authoraties sustained by unanimous vote. Articles of Faith adopted by vote.

President W. Woodruff had his Manifesto read. It announced to the world the Plural marriages were not being solemnized and that the statement of the Utah Commission that forty had ocured since last June was not true. The people voted that he had the right to make this manifesto and that it was authoratative.

Presidents W. Woodruff and Geo. Q. Cannon spoke on the Manifesto.

2 p.m. Prayer by C. W. Penrose.

Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, Abraham H. Cannon and President Wilford Woodruff [spoke].

Benediction by President W. Woodruff. He blest the people.

Tuesday, Oct. 7, 1890 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. the Presidents of stakes met. Politics and treatment of [plural] families were the subjects, also the raising of funds.

Thursday, Oct. 9, 1890 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and discussed their business concerns.

I had some of my teeth pulled out today.

Bro. Lyman called on me after the regular meeting. The Church draws out of the sugar company.

Friday, Oct. 10, 1890 - Salt Lake City

T. C. Layton, F. A. Hammond and I called upon Presidents Wilford Woodruff and G. Q. Cannon and the Presidency told Mr. Layton they would make an effort to organize a company in February to b[u]y the North Zapato Ranch.

At 2 p.m. W. B. Preston, A. F. McDonald of the Mexican Land and Agricultural Co. called upon the Presidency and had a long talk over Mexican Matters.

A. F. McDonald was instructed to get another concession from the Mexican Government. Twenty-five hundred dollars was voted to Bro. A. F. McDonald.

We unitedly entered our protest against the purchase of any more land in the Zone Prohibita.

Monday, Oct. 13, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I got a letter from Josephine today saying Nicholas had broken his arm.

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and received the quarterly report. Some warm talk was had in regard to payments made to William. Samuel talked very strong.

Tuesday, Oct. 14, 1890 - Salt Lake City

Presidents Wilford Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Abraham H. Cannon and myself [met] and President G. Q. Cannon reported a conversation he had had with C. S. Varian, District Attorney. Varian favors the introduction of a law into Congress doing away with a law against Mormons.

Wednesday, Oct. 15, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed fifty dollars at the Zions saving bank.

The Directors of the Home Fire Insurance Co. met and talked over the propriety of declaring a stock dividend and also of making a dividend of the Theatre stock and assigning each stockholder his interest in that property. We adjourned without agreeing until tomorrow.

The Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. met and the monthly reports were read. The business is doing nicely.

I took train for Manassa this evening.

Friday, Oct. 17, 1890 - Manassa, Colorado

I found my family well at Manassa except Nicholas, whose arm has been broken. It seems to be doing nicely but I am fearfull it will be crooked.¹⁹

¹⁹Despite the provisions and interpretation of the Manifesto, most plural husbands continued to live with their plural wives.

Monday, Oct. 20, 1890 - Manassa

I spent the day reading and working. I wrote to my wife Sarah to whom I was married 24 years ago.

Wednesday, Oct. 22, 1890 - Manassa

My Daughter Sarah Ann was twelve years old today.

Friday, Oct. 24, 1890 - Manassa

The Ladies of this stake of Zion held a fair today in the stake meeting house. It was a very good exhibit. I spent most of the day in fixing up my stable.

Saturday, Oct. 25, 1890 - Manassa

I helped my wife in cleaning house. I went to Priesthood meeting and spoke and set apart two Elders for Missions to the South.

I invited some of the brethren to go and work on Bro. Edward Dalton's house. A number volunteered.

Monday, Oct. 27, 1890 - Manassa

Some fourteen of the brethren worked all day on Bro. Dalton's house, I among the number.

In the evening a large party made a surprise on Uncle Silas S. Smith, who was 60 years old yesterday. He is the father of 20 children and has 28 grandchildren. Their was a grand spread and all went as merry as a marriage bell.

Thursday, Oct. 30, 1890 - Manassa

In the evening President S. S. Smith and wife and myself and wife went to Sanford, where we held a political meeting and we both spoke and enjoyed fair liberty. A good attendance.

Sunday, Nov. 2, 1890 - Manassa

My Aunt Caroline Callister, Clara Lyman and her children, M. Thatcher, wife and child, Mrs. Emily Grant and two children and Miss Kate Wells, S. S. Smith and I spent a few hours at our house.

Monday, Nov. 3, 1890 - Manassa

We see by the Papers that Joseph S. Groesbeck, son of Jos. S. and Sarah A. Groesbeck, was killed on Thursday. Thrown from a wagon.

Tuesday, Nov. 4, 1890 - Manassa

I wrote to Sarah A. Groesbeck a letter of Condolence over the killing of her son.

I voted today for the first time in eight or nine years and voted a Republican Ticket straight except the state Treasurer, who is a Democrat.

Thursday, Nov. 6, 1890 - Manassa

I spent the day at home. The Republicans have carried the state in most of the offices.

Friday, Nov. 7, 1890 - Manassa

My daughter received a letter from Aunt Lucy saying my son Don Carlos had typhoid fever. I went to LaJara in the evening. It was very dark and stormy. I telegraphed to my son George: Has Don typhoid, also how is he. Answer immediately.

Saturday, Nov. 8, 1890 - Manassa

I received a telegram from George saying "Don has typhoid, doing nicely. Others well."

Tuesday, Nov. 11, 1890 - on train to Utah

I took up a collection on the train for a woman who claimed to be in distress. I got \$5.50 for her.

Wednesday, Nov. 12, 1890 - Salt Lake City

My son Don is sick but doing nicely. I spent the day at home.

Saturday, Nov. 15, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I signed a note for \$5,500.00 at Deseret bank today for six months, interest at 10 percent per annum.

Thursday, Nov. 20, 1890 - Salt Lake City

N. Harmon Groesbeck, William Groesbeck, John A. Groesbeck, Hyrum Groesbeck, Samuel Groesbeck, John Morgan, and myself met and talked over the ability of the Groesbeck Co. to pay its way and pay our present taxes. We came to no conclusion.

Saturday, Nov. 22, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I paid mother ten dollars in interest on note.

My son Don who has been sick for some days came downstairs for the first time today.

Monday, Nov. 24, 1890 - Salt Lake City

Doctor Joseph S. Richards cut from my back today a tumor about the size of a hickory nut. Dr. Charles Wilcox assisted him. Don Carlos is OK.

Wednesday, Nov. 26, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I had my back dressed and it seems to be doing very nicely.

Thursday, Nov. 27, 1890 - Salt Lake City

It is Thanksgiving day and we had a nice turkey. Lucy Woodruff and Hannah Conklin had dinner with us. The day passed very pleasantly.

Thursday, Dec. 4, 1890 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon & Joseph F. Smith, Apostles L. Snow, F. D. Richards, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Lund, Abraham H. Cannon, and I met in Counsel. We had a pleasant time together. The twelve were made a Committee to collect money for the Sugar Works.

Sunday, Dec. 7, 1890 - Ogden

Cold. Father Farr has built a ten thousand dollar home.

Thursday, Dec. 11, 1890 - Salt Lake City

President W. Woodruff, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, Abraham H. Cannon, and I met and had prayers. We talked over the sugar business.

Tuesday, Dec. 16, 1890 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the city most of the day. In the evening Sister Wells and I took train for Colorado.

Friday, Dec. 20, 1890 - Manassa, Colorado

I spent the day reading in Bancroft's works.

Thursday, Dec. 25, 1890 - Manassa

We had a great day with our children and they were happy. We went to the McGregor's hall to a dance.

Monday, Dec. 29, 90 - Salt Lake City

I reached home at 2 p.m. Found all well.

Thursday, Jan. 8, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith, J. W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon and myself met and had prayer. Their was some talk about the Deseret News Co. I sent Josephine \$50.00. Paid G.T.O. \$100.00.

Monday, Jan. 12, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The Groesbeck Co. Directors met at 10 a.m., President Will Groesbeck presiding. Present of stockholders: W. Groesbeck, John A. Groesbeck, Hyrum Groesbeck, Samuel S. Groesbeck, John Morgan and myself. We had the Quarterly report read. We elected the old board of Directors and John A. Groesbeck was elected President and Samuel Groesbeck Vice President.

We were busy most of the day.

Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Home Fire met and agreed to pay their Quarterly dividend. Part of the Hooper and Eldredge block burned down today

and the Coop. Furn. Co. were burned out. Loss about \$25,000.00. Barton and Co. and a number of others were also burned out.

Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Coop. Furniture Co. Directors met and decided to go on with their business. They will ask for time on their bills.

Friday, Jan. 16, 1891 - Salt Lake City

At 4 p.m. F. M. Lyman and I went to Railway station and took train for Nephi. I stopped over night with Bro. McCune.

Saturday, Jan. 17, 1891 - Nephi

2 p.m. I spoke at some length on the business situation and the sugar molasses. Bro. F. M. Lyman followed on the same subject. A good spirit prevailed.

We spoke on the sugar business but got no subscriptions to the stock.

Monday, Jan. 19, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and adopted the yearly statement. They voted to commence paying a monthly dividend. I spent the evening at home. I wrote to Josephine and sent \$5.00.

Monday, Jan. 26, 1891 - Franklin, Idaho [stake conference]

Conference continued during the day. S. H. Hale and A. H. Cannon spoke. Also M. H. Cowley, G. C. Parkinson and myself. The Authorities general and local were sustained.

Bro. A. H. Cannon and I went in a sleigh to Preston with Bro. Hawkes to see the stake academy building. It is going to be a very fine one. We had supper with Bro. S. H. Hale, blest a baby for Bp. Parkinson and administered to Sister Cowley. We returned to Franklin and went to a dancing party.

Tuesday, Jan. 27, 1891 - Ogden

I returned to Ogden and found my wife, Sarah, and sons Don & George. We spent the day visiting. Mother Farr is 68 years old today. In the evening 40-odd[d] persons came in and gave her a surprise. Her children presented her a nice chair. We had a pleasant time.

Wednesday, Jan. 28, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, A. H. Cannon, George Reynolds, and myself met in Council. We started to talk about the sugar business. Bro. L. Snow said he felt there were some feelings among the brethren and wanted them settled first, so at it we went. Bros. G.

Q. Cannon and Thatcher poured out what was in them and agreed to forgive each other. The day was spent in good talk.²⁰

Thursday, Jan. 29, 1891 - Salt Lake City

We met in Council again today, Bro. A. H. Lund being with us. We fasted and partook of the sacrament after we had voted to forgive each other's trespasses.

Friday, Jan. 30, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, A. H. Lund, Abram H. Cannon, George Reynolds and myself met in Council. We deliberated the whole day over the sugar business and finally agreed to make the best effort we could to put the thing through. Bro. H. J. Grant to go East and me with him to see what can be done in the interest of gaining time for our payments on machinery.

Thursday, Feb. 5, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, F. M. Lyman, J. W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon and myself met and had prayers.

[Went to Colorado, February 8-March 10.]

Monday, Feb. 9, 1891 - Manassa, Colorado

It was the coldest day of the year at this point, being 22 below zero. I found my family all well.

Sunday, Feb. 15, 1891 - Manassa

It is quite lonesome. No meetings of any kind, owing to the small pox scare.

Monday, Feb. 23, 1891 - Manassa

F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, Edward Dalton, Joseph F. Thomas, and I met as a court. Jos. Haney claimed that S. S. Smith and Downey were his partners in business. After hearing the evidence, we decided President S. Smith was morally a partner but not legally.

Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1891 - Manassa

We were busy most of the day with the Downey and Haney case in making up our decision.

²⁰The problem of financing the sugar industry was discussed at length by the apostles on January 28, 29, and 30. The immediate solution was to raise \$50,000, which was done through loans from the State Bank and Z.C.M.I. It was decided that Heber J. Grant should go East to try to obtain \$100,000 or \$50,000 and that the church would subscribe for \$50,000 of the stock and use its credit and influence to assure the success of the industry. See Abraham H. Cannon diary, January 28, 29, 30, 1891.

Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1891 - Manassa

The day was spent in listening to the complaint of father Elage against S. S. Smith, Sr.

Thursday, Feb. 26, 1891 - Manassa

We got together and decided that the final receipt presented by President S. S. Smith from Bro. Ellage closed the whole business out. We heard Wm. Christiansen make some complaints of no moment whatever. He and President Smith agreed to forgive each other.

Sunday, March 1, 1891 - Manassa

Meeting was held today for the first time in some weeks. F. M. Lyman and H. J. Grant spoke.

We had a priesthood meeting in the evening. Several of the brethren complained bitterly against President S. S. Smith, but as they sought to explain themselves they had little on which to base a complaint. Bro. H. J. Grant spoke and condemned the feeling that had been exhibited.

When a vote was taken as to whether they would sustain President Smith, five voted against, forty-seven for, and seven did not vote.

Bro. Eccles said he believed President S. S. Smith had appropriated 34 dollars of his money dishonestly. I offered him a \$1,000.00 dollars if he would establish that, but he said he could not.

Monday, March 2, 1891 - Manassa

We met at the school house and took up the Scott case and spent the entire day listening to him talk. He had no evedence to present.

Tuesday, March 3, 1891 - Manassa

We spent the day considering the Scott matter. We finally concluded the matter would have to be adjusted by the courts. Bro. E. Dalton dissented for a time but finally agreed with the rest of us.

Thursday, March 5, 1891 - Manassa

Thor Petersen came with a complaint against President S. S. Smith in regard to the Tithing. We looked into the matter and tried to explain to him but could not make him see it.

The presidency had tried before but failed to make the matter clear to his mind.

Friday, March 6, 1891 - Manassa

The Presidency of the stake, Bp. John Dalton and his Counselors, and Holt talked over their troubles and agreed to quit and be friends.

Saturday, March 7, 1891 - Manassa [stake conference]

6 p.m. Priesthood meeting. The report on land matters was read

and explained. All hands voted to sustain President S. S. Smith except Thor Petersen.

Friday, March 13, 1891 - Salt Lake City

In company with Hyrum Groesbeck, I went out to see N. H. Groesbeck at the pen. We found him well.

J. F. Smith is reported to be very sick.

Monday, March 16, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I have had the Dentist working on my mouth.

Thursday, March 19, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency, some of the Twelve, and some of the seven Presidents of the seventies met and talked over the Political situation.

I got my upper teeth.

Friday, March 20, 1891 - Salt Lake City and Deseret Millard County

Bros. F. M. Lyman, Abraham H. Cannon, A. H. Lund, and I went to Deseret by train. Bp. Jas. T. Black was on the train. In the evening F. M. Lyman, A. H. Lund, Abraham H. Cannon, I. W. Hinckley, David Stevens, B. Stringham, Christian Anderson, Jas. S. Black, and myself [met]. After some deliberation Bp. Black made up his mind to resign. We all approved his determination.

Saturday, March 21, 1891 - Deseret

I wrote to Josephine and sent her a hundred dollar draft. We had a Priesthood meeting at 10 a.m. and Bp. Joseph S. Black resigned with an honorable release.

Tuesday, March 24, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I was in Council with the Presidency.

President Daniel H. Wells died today at 1 p.m.

Thursday, March 26, 1891

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon and I met and had prayers. We talked over Mexican matters and as to who should preside. No conclusion reached.

Sunday, March 29, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Bro. A. H. Lund came in last evening to attend the funeral of Bro. D. H. Wells.

Wednesday, April 1, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The following named brethren met in Council: Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, A.

H. Lund, Abraham H. Cannon, and myself. The time was spent in reading some notes made by Bro. F. D. Richards on the early history of the Twelve.

After meeting the Presidency was with us and I asked the brethren what they thought of my being elected a Director and President of the Ogden Standard Co. and becoming active in Politics. The matter was delayed until the morrow.

Thursday, April 2, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, George Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Lund, Abraham H. Cannon, and myself met in Council. The Ogden Standard matter was talked over and spoke upon it. It was concluded I better not enter the Political field. We Partook of the Sacrament and were all joyous and happy under the influence of the holy spirit.

N. H. Groesbeck came out of the Penetentiary today, having been pardoned by President Harrison.

Friday, April 3, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Josephine and three of the children came in from Colorado.

The Home Life Insurance Co. Directors met and declared a dividend of 10 percent for the year. Presidents Woodruff, Cannon and Smith asked me to go to Ogden and Qualify for a Director and President of the Standard Publishing & Printing Co. I did so and will resign the Presidency at once and remain a Director.

[General conference, April 4-6.]

Tuesday, April 7, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency, Twelve, Presiding Bishops, presidents of Stakes and Bishops met at 10 a.m. and the tithing matters were explained. The people are using locally about three quarters of tithing collected. Bro. Penrose spoke in regard to the Political situation.

Thursday, April 9, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I renewed a loan of \$1,500.00 and paid \$30.00 interest on the matured note.

I paid \$75.00 tithing. I also paid a note of \$50.00 at Zions Savings Bank.

Friday, April 10, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I paid my mother three hundred dollars.

We set apart 31 Elders for missions.

My Josephine is very sick, as also my daughter Lucy.

Sunday, April 12, 1891 - Salt Lake City

George Q. Cannon and I spoke at the tabernacle. Josephine is better today.

Monday, April 13, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met at 11 a.m. and were together most of the day. H[elen] J. Morgan resigned and John Morgan was appointed in her place.

Tuesday, April 14, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Home Fire Insurance Co. met at H. J. Grant's office. The regular quarterly dividend was declared.

Wednesday, April 15, 1891 - Salt Lake City

T. W. Jennings resigned his position as Director of Z.C.M.I. and I was appointed in his place.

I drew dividends from H. J. Grant & Co. \$16.00, Coop. W. & M. Co. \$90.00, Home Fire Insurance Co. \$150.00.

Monday, April 20, 1891 - Ogden

I bot a horse of N. Farr, price \$200.00.

Thursday, April 23, 1891 - Salt Lake City

William Groesbeck, David James, and [I] Went out to Tintic to visit the Red Rose mine. I am much pleased with it. I went down the shaft 225 feet and feel sure the[y] have struck a fine Vain of Silver ore.

Friday, April 24, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I am quite lame with sciatica.

Sunday, April 26, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I was at home until evening when I drove to the hot springs and took a bath. It releived me of my pain.

Friday, May 1, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I drove out to the springs a couple of times. We were all at Wm. Groesbeck's in the evening to the wedding reception of Mr. Fred Clawson and Miss Tessie Groesbeck. There were three hundred people present. It was a grand affair.

Saturday, May 2, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I went out to the springs and spent the time reading when not driving back and fourth. Herman C. and Fredrick Smith called upon me in the evening.

Tuesday, May 5, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Presidents Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon and others met and talked over the visit of President [Benjamin] Harrison and party. I was appointed to go to Utah Co[unty] and set [?] about some words of Counsel and to ask the people to make a showing as the President passed through.

I drove H. C. and Frederick Smith out about the City.

Wednesday, May 6, 1891 - Provo

I went to Provo and made arrangements with Prest. A. O. Smoot about doing honor to the President as he passed along through the County.

Thursday, May 7, 1891 - Provo

I went to my land and rented it for the season for 50 cents an acre.

Saturday, May 9, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Benjamin Harrison and party reached this City during the night. The day was spent in visiting the objects of interest. Many people thronged the Streets. It was a beautiful day. The President made several short speeches.

The party left for the east at 12 noon.

Tuesday, May 12, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day at the Office of the President. Political parties are in somewhat of a flurry just at the present time.

Wednesday, May 13, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I had a visit with Judge Zane. He favors the Republican party organizing at once. I also met McCormick, Arthur Pratt and Dooley.

Thursday, May 14, 1891 - Salt Lake City

W. S. McCormick, Col. Shaughnessy & Arthur Pratt called at President W. Woodruff's Office and Presidents Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon and I talked over the political situation and it was thought best to go ahead and organize the Republican party. President Woodruff said he was a Republican and I said I was.

Friday, May 15, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day button holing men to find out what their politics were if they had any.

President W. Woodruff told me to select such men as I wanted to go with me in that work.

Saturday, May 16, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I met [Col. Isaac] Trumbo and ex-Congressman Connors of Ill. at the Templeton. I was much pleased with him.

Monday, May 18, 1891 - Salt Lake City

An attempt to organize a Republican club was broken up tonight by some liberals [Liberal Party members]. A call was made today by a number of Republicans to organize the Republican party in Utah, to meet in Mass meeting at the Theatre on Wednesday night.

Tuesday, May 19, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the City talking with parties in regard to Politics.

Some of the parties favoring organization met and agreed on their course.

Wednesday, May 20, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I was busy all day. At 8 p.m. a large crowd got together at the Theatre. A large number of liberals had come in with the design of breaking up the meeting but they failed to do this. C. W. Bennett was made chairman and speeches were made both for and against organization. W. H. Dixon spoke against and I for. The vote for organization carried. I never felt better in my life in talking.²¹

Thursday, May 21, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Everybody is excited over yesterday's meeting and it is the Town's Talk.

Friday, May 22, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The chairman of the Mass meeting has appointed a Territorial and County committee to organize the clubs and put the Territory in order for political work. We met in the evening, C. W. Bennett presiding.

Tuesday, May 26, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The Republican Committee met and adopted an address to the people. Myself, John M. Zane, and Geo. M. Cannon are to go about organizing the Counties into clubs. John M. Zane and I took the Document to the Herald and Tribune.

Thursday, May 28, 1891 - Salt Lake City

John M. Zane, George M. Cannon and myself went to Provo, and in the evening did organize a Republican club of 15 members.

Friday, May 29, 1891 - Provo and Nephi

We went to Nephi and organized a Club of some 22 members.

²¹ The pivotal role played by John Henry in the meeting is described in Edward Leo Lyman, *Political Deliverance: The Mormon Quest for Utah Statehood* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1986), 159-60.

Monday, June 1, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I attended my club meeting this evening. There were 87 members enrolled.

Tuesday, June 2, 1891 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

Judge C. W. Bennett and I went to Ogden and held a Council with the Ogden Republican committee. The result of our Consultation was the Ogden Club will make a call for a league meeting of all Republicans.

Wednesday, June 3, 1891 - Salt Lake City

F. S. Richards, C. W. Penrose, and W. H. King are getting concerned about my labors in making converts to the Republican cause.

Tuesday, June 10, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I was at the President's office during the day and I went with James Sharp, John M. Zane, John Morgan and others to Spanish Fork to hold political meetings.

[Went to Colorado, June 11-20, to visit Josephine and for meetings of the Mexican Agricultural and Colonization Company.]

Thursday, June 18, 1891 - Manassa, Colorado

M. Thatcher and John Morgan arrived today and a stockholders meeting was held of the Mexican Land and Colonization Co. M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, George Teasdale, A. F. McDonald, John Morgan, W. B. Preston, and I were elected Directors.

Saturday, June 20, 1891 - Denver

I had a nice visit with U. S. Senators H. M. Teller and Wolcott. They both treated me nicely and held out lots of hope.

Monday, June 22, 1891 - Payson

In company with John M. Zane and James Sharp, I went to Payson and held a political meeting.

[Went on several other trips to outlying cities to organize political clubs.]

Monday, June 29, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, F. D. Richards, M. Thatcher, H. J. Grant, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Lund, F. M. Lyman, A. H. Cannon, and I met in Council and talked over the political situation.²²

²² Abraham H. Cannon noted in his diary of June 19, 1891: "The political situation was discussed and it was deemed advisable for us to do our utmost to keep the two political parties about evenly divided in this Territory. It was also thought best for our

Monday, July 6, 1891 - Ogden

I went to Ogden Valley in company with two other gentlemen and had a political meeting in the evening. We had a large attendance.

Wednesday, July 8, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I returned to the City and attended the Republican Convention. We had a nice day.

In the convention today, L. G. Hardy, Miller and Ashton and Kimball were nominated for County Offices.

Friday, July 10, 1891 - Ogden

In company with quite a crowd of men with a band I went to Ogden to attend a meeting of the Republican clubs. We had a good day.

Saturday, July 11, 1891 - Ogden

We spent the day in Ogden. Our Convention brought its labors to a close by organizing a league of clubs. The member of Congress from Nevada spoke to us in the afternoon and made a fine speech.

Monday, July 13, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I met the Presidency and we talked over the Church Examiner business.

I went to Smithfield in Cache Valley and spoke to a political meeting.

Tuesday, July 14, 1891 - Logan

I drove to Logan and there learned that the Republicans had won the school Elections.

Monday, July 20, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I was busy most of the day at the office of the Groesbeck Co. In the evening I attended a primary meeting in the 16th ward school house to elect Delegates to a convention to be held at the federal court house on Wednesday.

Tuesday, July 21, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I was busy over the Groesbeck Co. business all day. I met Joseph F. Smith and he put in my hands his petition for amnesty to President B. F. Harrison. James Sharp and I placed it in the hands of Robert Harkness.

Some 25 Republicans met and talked over matters.

Wednesday, July 22, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The Republican County Convention met and elected John T. Lynch Chairman. A Ticket for the Legislature was gotten up.

[Went to political meetings in Scipio, Holden, Fillmore, Meadow, Kanosh, and Deseret, Millard County, July 27-August 1.]

Wednesday, July 29, 1891 - Fillmore

We went to Fillmore and was met by the band and received a warm Welcome. I spoke two hours and a half in the evening.

Monday, Aug. 3, 1891 - Salt Lake City

It is Ellection day and I was at Republican headquarters most of the day.

The Republicans were somewhat disgruntled at the result of the election.

Tuesday, Aug. 4, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I met several outside Republicans and they are feeling better then they were last night. A party of us met and concluded we would go on with the fight.

Wednesday, Aug. 5, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Some twenty Republicans met and increased our working committee and decided to hold a Territorial convention, and the date of Sept. 2nd was agreed upon. We all felt first class.

[Went to Manassa, Colorado, to attend stake conference and visit Josephine, August 18-23. Also visited some ranches in the area.]

**Thursday, Aug. 20, 1891 - McIntyre Ranch,
Conejas County, Colorado**

The day was spent in fishing with very good luck to all hands.

President S. S. Smith brought me the following telegram from President W. Woodruff[:] It is important you be here as soon as possible.

It was concluded I could not reach the City in time so I waited over.

Wednesday, Aug. 26, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The Republican [County] Convention met at 2 p.m. and we selected 59 delegates to the Territorial Convention. I was among the number.

Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I baptised my Son Nathaniel Libbey. He was Eight years old on the 19th of June.

I met with Judges C. S. Zane and Bartch, C. W. Bennett, W. Balderston & Mr. Brown and agreed on our platform.

Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1891 - Salt Lake City

A number of young men were set apart for their missions to the Improvement Associations of the Church, my son George among the number.

The Territorial Republican convention met at 11 a.m. Arthur Brown called them to order. J. F. Lynch was made Temporary chairman. The attendance of delegates was large.

Mr. Borlinski was made permanent Chairman. The Platform was adopted. Speeches were made. C. W. Bennett was made chairman of the Territorial Committee.

Saturday, Sept. 5, 1891 - Provo

I paid my Sister Grace 12 dollars toward Sarah's board and \$17.75 to apply on her Tuition. I did some talking on politics.

Monday, Sept. 7, 1891 - Salt Lake City

It is announced from Cape May that Jos. F. Smith is amnestied by the President.

Saturday, Sept. 19, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Judge M. M. Estee gave me letters of introduction to Republicans in Arizona.

Monday, Sept. 21, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I was blest and set apart by Bro. G. Q. Cannon. Bro. J. F. Smith blest Bro. John Morgan. I have a letter of appointment to seal people in Arizona and to attend to all business that comes under my notice.

Judges C. S. Zane, C. W. Bennett, and G. M. Bartch gave me letters of introduction to leading Republicans of Arizona.

I got two hundred dollars for expenses.

U. S. Marshal Parson gave me a letter of introduction to the U.S. Marshall of Arizona.

[Text of letter from President Wilford Woodruff.]

Elder John Henry Smith
One of the Twelve Apostles

Dear Brother,

The condition of many of the saints in Arizona in Connection with their marriages has been brought to the attention of the First Presidency. We understand that there are many couples in that Territory who are prevented by poverty and other circumstances from going to the Temple to have their sealing and that many of the children are being born out of the Covenant [to parents who have not been sealed for time and eternity] because of this.

We feel to take some action upon this, as it is a great deprivation for Latter-day Saints to not have the privilege of marrying and bearing children in the Covenant. In view of this, we have decided to authorize you, as one of the Apostles, to dedicate rooms which are now used for prayer according to the holy order [of the temple ceremonies], and in those rooms solemnize marriages such as are properly recommended, and which are of the class

referred to, that is, marriages of those who are unable through poverty or some other various impediment, to go to the Temple of the Lord to be sealed for time and for eternity. The authority is hereby conferred upon you during this present visit to Arizona to attend to cases of this kind and perform the sealing ordinances for time and eternity. In doing this, we desire you to be very carefull and make a proper record of all such sealings, that every case may be reported here; and in order that this may be done, we furnish you a book in which you will have entry made of all these sealings.

Praying the Lord to bless you upon this mission and in the exercise of this authority,

I remain your brother

Wilford Woodruff

Form of Marriage

Brother, you take Sister -- by the right hand and receive her unto yourself to be your lawfull wedded wife, for time and for all eternity. With the Covenant and promise that you will observe and keep all the laws, rites and ordinances appertaining to this holy order of matrimony in the new and everlasting Covenant [of eternal marriage]. This you do in the presence of God, angels and these witnesses, of your own free will and choice. Do you? Yes! [Repeated for woman.]

By virtue of the holy Priesthood and Authority invested in me, I pronounce you legally and lawfully husband and wife, for time and all eternity.

I seal upon you the blessings of the holy resurrection with power to come forth in the morning of the first resurrection clothed with glory, immortality and eternal lives. And I seal upon you the blessings of Kingdoms, thrones, principalities, powers dominions and exaltations with the blessings of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. And I say unto you, be fruitfull and multiply and replenish the earth that you may have joy and rejoicing in your posterity in the day of the Lord Jesus Christ.

All these blessings, together with all appertaining to the new and everlasting covenant, I seal upon your heads, through your faithfulness by virtue of the holy priesthood and in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, Amen.

Kiss each other.

[Letter from First Presidency to John Henry Smith and John Morgan included in diary. Excerpts follow.]

Dear Brethren:

We desire you to take a short mission to Arizona for the purpose of meeting with the Presidency and Priesthood of each of the Stakes, and also the Saints and setting everything in order that may need to be regulated. The

Saints in that land are surrounded by peculiar circumstances and we think it important that they should receive a visit from some of the general authorities of the Church, and we have selected you for this purpose. . . . We desire you, under the influence of the spirit of the Lord to Counsel the brethren and Saints there as you may be led, in keeping with all we have communicated to you. It is important that the officers and the members should act prudently and wisely and with great circumspection, at the present time, for much depends upon their taking a right course.

We pray God the eternal Father to fill you with His Holy Spirit . . . that great good may result from your labors.

We are your brethren
Wilford Woodruff
Geo. Q. Cannon
Jos. F. Smith

[Letter] from Judge C. S. Zane, Chief Justice of Utah

To whom it may Concern.

The bearer of this letter, Hon. John Henry Smith, should meet and receive recognition as an earnest, constant and zealous Republican in the organization of the Republican party in Utah Territory. He has done more than any other man to gain for Republicanism a strong following. I cordially endorse and recommend him to all Republicans as worthy of their friendship and confidence.

Very Respectfully C. S. Zane

From Judge G. M. Bartch

To whom it May Concern:

This is to certify that I am well acquainted with the bearer, John Henry Smith, and that I regard him as a gentleman of Culture, honor, and integrity, having the esteem and confidence of the community. . . .

G. M. Bartch

From Office of the U.S. Marshall to the U.S. Marshall of Arizona

Dear Sir:

This will introduce to you Mr. John Henry Smith, one of Utah's solid and enterprising men; any courtesies shown him will be duly appreciated. Yours Very Truly

E. H. Parsons

Permit me to say further that Mr. Smith is a staunch Republican and a man of influence with the men of Mormon proclivities. You can rely on him in every way.

E. H. Parsons

Letter from Republican Territorial Committee

To All Republicans:

This will introduce to you Mr. John Henry Smith, a leading Republican of Utah Territory, and a member of the Republican Territorial Committee, The executive Committee of our Territory and an active worker in the cause of Republicanism.

Mr. Smith is traveling in the Western States and Territories, and wishes to meet Republicans wherever he visits.

We acredit him to all as a thoroughly reliable gentleman, personally and politically.

Respectfully, C. W. Bennett
Rep. Territorial Com.

Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1891 - San Francisco

We put up at the Palace hotel. After we ate our breakfast We called upon Gov. Zulech and talked over the political situation in Arizona.

Saturday, Sept. 26, 1891 - Mesa, Arizona

We met with the High Council and talked over the situation with them and agreed to hold ourselves aloof from the political parties until we saw who would be our friends.

Monday, Sept. 28, 1891 - Mesa

There is some drunken tramp here who claims he has papers for my arrest.

Wednesday, Sept. 30, 1891 - Mesa and Phoenix

Bp. Hunsaker, President C. R. Hakes, Bro. J. Morgan, myself and other brethren went by team to Phoenix. We paid a visit to the State [Constitutional] Convention and was introduced to the members and were invited to a seat near the President's Chair. We met a number of the leading men of both parties and was treated very nicely.²³

Thursday, Oct. 1, 1891 - Phoenix

We met Judge Stewart, Col. Christie, Col. Hering, Mr. Wolfly of the Republican, Gove [?] Murphy and the Editor of the Herald. We had a pleasant day and was well treated by everybody. Col. Hering gave letters of introduction to some leading men in Graham Co.

²³Part of John Henry's religious-political mission to Arizona was to block the inclusion of an anti-Mormon test oath in the Arizona constitution. He was also to try to get the Mormons to divide between and court the favor of both political parties rather than aligning themselves—as seemed likely—with the Democrats.

Monday, Oct. 5, 1891 - Thatcher

We held a Priesthood meeting at 10 a.m. We talked over the Political situation.

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 1891 - Thatcher

Today we spent in performing sealings. Some 35 couples came to us. All felt well.

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 1891 - St. Johns

We made a few calls upon leading outsiders who reside here. They received us very pleasantly.

I am under a heavy load of cold and malaria.

Monday, Oct. 19, 1891 - Snowflake

I sealed some 15 couples today.

Tuesday, Oct. 20, 1891 - Holbrook

We drove to Holbrook and I met Messrs. Beauman and Barns and we had some talk with them over the political situation.

Wednesday, Oct. 21, 1891 - Santa Fe, New Mexico

I received an answer to my telegram. A girl baby [born to Sarah]. J[osephine]. gone home.

Thursday, Oct. 22, 1891 - Santa Fe and Manassa

I went by train Sun Flower and Austin Smith met me and took me home. I found all well.

Monday, Oct. 26, 1891 - Manassa, Colorado

Still in the house nursing myself.

Thursday, Oct. 29, 1891 - Manassa

I read the papers and visited with my wife and children. I had one of my regular shakes.

Saturday, Oct. 31, 1891 - Manassa

The brethren met in a Priesthood. I talked to them over the political situation. J. Morgan and I talked at a political meeting in the evening.

Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1891 - Manassa

It is election day and the Australian system [of secret ballots] is being tried. It worked well.

Thursday, Nov. 5, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I found my wife Sarah and baby doing nicely.

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 1891 - Provo and Salt Lake City

I paid my taxes here \$11.20. I paid my sister Grace \$15.00 for five weeks board for Sarah to the 7th of this month.

Judge Bartch, Mr. Brown, and John Morgan and self met and talked over the political situation.

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1891 - Salt Lake City

It has been agreed that J. Morgan and I should go to Washington. I called upon Judge Zane and others. They favored the movement.

Monday, Nov. 16, 1891 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met at the Gardo house and had the reports of the Secretary read for the month of October. The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met in the evening and talked over the situation.

Wednesday, Nov. 18, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I have been considering the question of putting a heavier Mortgage on the [Groesbeck Company] Wasatch property and I don't favor the idea.

Thursday, Nov. 19, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Our daughter Elsie Louise is one month old today. She was blest by her grandfather while she was eight days old.

Monday, Nov. 23, 1891 - Richfield

During the noon hour I had a number of the brethren together and spoke at some length on political matters and read the circular sent out by the Presidency in regard to the Salt Lake Temple.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 - Salt Lake City

A meeting of the Directors of the K[anab] herd met and accepted the yearly report and declared a dividend of 20 percent for the year. Myself, L. C. Mariger & Geo. A. Smith were present.

[Went south to Richfield, Kanab, Orderville, Panguitch, November 30-December 14, for conferences and political meetings.]

Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the City. John A. Groesbeck has gone to California to see if he can cancel the Goldberg note of \$65,000 and secure another loan from other parties of \$125,000.00.

Thursday, Dec. 17, 1891 - Salt Lake City

A petition is being prepared to send to President Harrison asking for amnesty for the Saints.

Friday, Dec. 18, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I find that money is very Scarce and many people are complaining of hard times.

Bro. Francis Armstrong had a talk with Judge C. S. Zane in regard to Amnesty, and made an appointment to meet G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Governor A. L. Thomas and myself and talk over the matter.

Saturday, Dec. 19, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I met with Governor A. L. Thomas and made an arrangement to meet with him, Judge C. S. Zane, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith at the Governor's Residence in the evening at 7 p.m. We met at the hour appointed and the following Document was discussed:

To the President.

We, the First Presidency and Apostles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day saints beg respectfully to represent to your Excellency the following facts:

[Petition gives a history of polygamy as a church doctrine and the hardships endured by following the doctrine.]

Following this conviction, hundreds endured arrest, trial, fine and imprisonment, and immeasurable suffering borne by the faithful people no language can describe. That suffering in abated form still continues.

[Petition describes Manifesto of 1890 and determination of church members to live by it.]

This being the true situation, and believing that the object of the Government was simply the vindication of its own authority and to compel obedience to its laws, and that it takes no pleasure in persecution, we respectfully pray that full amnesty may be extended to all who are under disabilities because of the operation of the so called Edmund and Edmund-Tucker laws. Our people are scattered; homes are made desolate; many are still imprisoned; others are banished or in hiding.

Our hearts bleed for these. In the past they followed our Counsels and while they are thus afflicted our souls are in sackcloth and ashes.

We believe there are nowhere in the Union a more loyal people than the Latter-day Saints. They know no other country than this; they expect to live and die on this soil.

When the men of the South who were in rebellion against the government in 1865 threw down their arms and asked recognition along the old lines of Citizenship the government hastened to grant their prayer.

To be at peace with the government and in harmony with their fellow citizens who are not of their faith, and to share in the confidence of the Government and people, our people have voluntarily put aside something which all their lives have believed to be a sacred principle.

Have they not the right to ask for such clemency as comes when the claims of both law and justice have been fully liquidated.

As shepards of a patient and suffering people, We ask amnesty for them and pledge our faith and honor for the future. And your petitioners will ever pray.

[signed by First Presidency and ten apostles]

After Governor A. L. Thomas, Judge C. S. Zane, George Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith and myself had talked over this matter, the Governor and Judge agreed to endorse the Petition and we separated.

Sunday, Dec. 20, 1891 - Salt Lake City

It is a very stormy day. General P. E. Connor was buried from the Walker house. A large body of Citizens followed the remains to the cemetery.

Monday, Dec. 21, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I received from Governor A. L. Thomas and Judge C. S. Zane the following Communications

Salt Lake City, Dec. 21 '91

To the President:

We have the honor to forward herewith a petition signed by the President and most influential members of the Mormon Church. We have no doubt of its sincerity and no doubt it is tendered in absolute good faith. The signers include some who were most determined in adhering to their religious faith while polygamy either mandatory or permissive was one of its tenets and they are men who would not lightly pledge their faith and honor to the Government, or subscribe to such a Document without having fully resolved to make their words good in letter and spirit.

We warmly recommend a favorable consideration of this petition and if your Excellency shall find it consistent with your public duties to grant the relief asked. We believe it would be graciously received by the Mormon people and tend to evince to them what has always been asserted, that the Government is benificent in its laws and desires all law abiding Citizens to enjoy all the benefits and privileges of Citizenship. We believe it will be better for the future if the Mormon people should now receive this mark of confidence.

As to the form and scope of a reprieve or pardon granted in the exercise of your constitutional prerogative, we make no suggestions.

You and your law advisers will best know how to grant what you may think should be granted.

We are very respectfully
signed
Arthur L. Thomas
Governor of Utah

signed
Charles S. Zane
Chief Justice of Utah

A Personal letter

Salt Lake City Dec. 21, 1891

To the President:

Our endorsement of the enclosed petition states that we do not presume to advise you as to the form or scope of a reprieve or pardon, but we beg to respectfully suggest that were full amnesty granted to date that date would be coupled with your name and in the future the Mormon people would turn to them as does the Colored race to Abraham Lincoln and the day of Jan. 2nd 1863; and if, as we believe the promise made by your petitioners will be fully kept it will associate with your administration the final end of the Work to which the republican party was solemnly pledged by its first national Convention which assembled in Philadelphia in 1856.

We are very respectfully
Arthur L. Thomas
Charles S. Zane

I had some little discussion in regard to the scope of the proposed amnesty. Both the Governor and the judge acceded to my wish.

A number of Republicans met at the office of Arthur Pratt and discussed the proposition to establish a newspaper. Six thousand dollars of additional stock was subscribed. There were present O. J. Salisbury, C. W. Bennett, Jos. F. Smith, W. H. Rowe, Judge Barch, Arthur and Harmel Pratt, John Morgan, Sam Hill, Bowman Cannon, James Devine, J. T. Lynch and others.

Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1891 - Salt Lake City

These papers were put into the hands of Frank Armstrong and from him went into the hands of C. C. Goodwin, Editor of the Salt Lake Tribune and he sent them east to a friend of President Harrison's. I was busy about the city looking after my own affairs.

Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Their was a meeting of a number of gentlemen to talk over the propriety of establishing [a] Republican Newspaper. It seemed to strike everyone that it was the proper thing to do.

Thursday, Dec. 24, 1891 - Salt Lake City

A few of the leading brethren met and talked over the present situation. I reported my labors with Judge Zane and Gov. A. L. Thomas. We had progress.

Friday, Dec. 25, 1891 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at home visiting with my family and eating roast Turkey.

Monday, Dec. 28, 1891 - Salt Lake City

Today G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Heber J. Grant, Elias Morris, W. H. Rowe, T. R. Cutler, Abram H. Cannon, L. G. Hardy, Elias A. Smith, G. M. Cannon, Myself and others completed the organization of the partnership of Cannon Grant & Co.

Some talk was had with the members of the Groesbeck Co. in regard to how we should pay our dividends. I got \$500.00 from the Groesbeck Co. and paid a note of that amount to the Church.

I asked Judge Zane if pardon was granted men who had been in the pen if they could vote. He said they could.

Tuesday, Dec. 29, 1891 - Salt Lake City

W. H. Rowe and I spent most of the day getting subscribers to the stock of the new Republican daily paper.

[Went to Manassa, Colorado, December 30, 1891-January 10, 1892.]

Saturday, Jan. 2, 1892 - Manassa

I was reading in the Conquest of Mexico by Prescott.

Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1892 - Manassa

We commenced to read Scott's Novel of Ivanhoe.

Monday, Jan. 11, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Mr. [E. B.] Critchlow and John Morgan have gone east to secure harmony in the ranks of the Republicans by asking for the removal of Gov. Thomas and Mr. Varian. I telegraphed Morgan to hold up and C. W. Bennett did the same to Critchlow. It was determined today that John M. Zane and F. J. Cannon go East and ask for the admission of Utah into the union as a state. Judges C. S. Zane, C. E. Goodwin, C. W. Bennett, Gov. A. L. Thomas and others among the leading out side[rs] favor this.

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1892 - Salt Lake City

John M. Zane left this morning for Washington.

L. Snow, F. D. Richards, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, J. W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Lund, A. H. Cannon and I met and We talked over my case and the political situation. Bro. F. D. Richards and Bro. M. Thatcher got some light. I felt somewhat hurt at what they said but we all parted feeling first rate.²⁴

²⁴A more revealing account of this meeting is given by Abraham H. Cannon in his diary, January 12, 1892. The quorum, he wrote, was asked to discuss whether or not to

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1892 - Salt Lake City

L. Snow, F. D. Richards, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Lund, A. H. Cannon and I met, had a splendid day, and Presidents G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith joined us and we broke bread together.

It was a splendid day. Bro. Moses had to leave on account of sickness. The feeling was I was to go on in my political work.

J. F. Smith, F. M. Lyman and I attended Republican meeting in 3 district and all spoke.

Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Matters seem to be culminating very fast. Some gentlemen now among the Liberal party feel they will soon withdraw. Mr. C. C. Goodwin in his paper the Tribune has come out for statehood. He feels considerably worked up over the situation.

Monday, Jan. 25, 1892 - Provo and Salt Lake City

I saw Bro. George Brimhall about [daughter] Sarah. He said she is doing very well indeed and advised me to keep her on.

I returned to the City and was busy at the Wasatch and other places during the day. The feeling among Republicans is growing that I should go to Washington in regard to the statehood matter.

F. J. Cannon arrived from Washington and we called upon Judges Zane and Bennett. He reported lots of Work must be done to accomplish the wish of the party.

Tuesday, Jan. 26, 1892 - Salt Lake City

The business interests in this Territory are very much in debt. George and I went to the Republican meeting.

Saturday, Jan. 30, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I returned to Salt Lake City. Bros. G. Q. Cannon, J. F. Smith, Wm. Budge, F. M. Lyman and self talked over the political situation in Idaho.

Judge C. S. Zane, John M. Zane, C. W. Bennett, Judge Harkness, Jos. F. Smith, Jas. Sharp, Geohegan and Cose [?] Donellan met and talked

approve of John Henry's political activities. After an explanation by John Henry of what he had been doing, he "then spoke of the principles of his party in such a partisan spirit that it caused several interruptions from Bro. [Moses] Thatcher who is as strong a Democrat as John is a Republican. Bro. [Lorenzo] Snow had to interfere and check the Spirit which was starting." Franklin D. Richards (a Democrat) objected to some of John Henry's "calling those who did not believe as he did some pretty hard names," and "gave Bro. Smith a rather severe rebuke." A motion to approve of John Henry's political activities was not put to a vote.

over the situation and our Candidate for Mayor. I had an interview with Gov. A. L. Thomas about the Condition of Affairs and the appointment of Officers.

I went down to Provo and attended the Republican Rally. George Sutherland, Reed Smoot, John E. Booth, J. N. Whitecotton and I spoke.

Monday, Feb. 1, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Today the Republican convention met and nominated H. M. Wells for Mayor. The Republican ticket throughout was a good one. The Territorial Committee wants me to go on to Washington.

Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1892 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in doing a little of everything that presented itself. It is determined that Judge C. W. Bennett and I should go to Washington in regard to this statehood matter.²⁵

Thursday, Feb. 4, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I received the following from Gov. A. L. Thomas

Salt Lake City, Feby. 4, 92
Hon. M. S. Quay
Senate Chamber
Washington D.C.

My Dear Senator:

This will be handed you by Hon. John H. Smith, a Citizen of this City. I have known Mr. Smith for nearly thirteen years, and [know] him as an able and honest man and one in whom I have full Confidence. He is my friend, and any kindness or courtesy which you may show to him will always be remembered by yours truly.

Arthur L. Thomas

Salt Lake City, Utah Feby. 4, 1892
Hon. Attorney General
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

This will be handed to you by the Hon. John Henry Smith; he is a Utah born and raised and always a member of the Mormon church; he is one who has excellent standing and great influence among the Mormon people, and is greatly respected and esteemed by all good citizens; a republican from his childhood, whose republicanism was fixed by a conversation with

²⁵Democratic delegate to Congress John T. Caine, at the urging of other Democrats, had sponsored a "Home Rule" bill that would have allowed autonomy in certain matters to Utah but would not have gone as far as statehood. This was opposed by Republicans, and John Henry was sent to Washington, D.C., to oppose it.

Hon. Wm. H. Seward, during his visit to this Territory in the 60's. He is one of our trusted able workers, and one from whom we expect great results among the Mormon people, as well as among thinking men of all classes. He visits Washington on business, and desired to look into your face, and to become acquainted with you. I take pleasure in introducing him, and I believe the acquaintance will be mutually pleasant and I hope profitable.

Very respectfully,
E. H. Parsons
U. S. Marshall

Salt Lake City Feb. 4 91
Hon. Henry L. Daws
U. S. Senate Washington D.C.

Dear Sir,

Knowing your interest in Western affairs generally, and of those pertaining to Indian work particularly, I take great pleasure in introducing to you Hon John Henry Smith, a resident of this Territory from his childhood. Mr. Smith is one of the best republicans we have, and visits Washington in the interests of the Republican party; he wants especially to meet you, and I am going to the liberty to ask that you introduce him to your colleague Senator Hoar, and Senator Platt of Conn. as he desires to meet both gentlemen, and I think the introductions would be much better from you than from myself, as my [blank] with both of them is limited. . . . Any Courtesy you are able to extend to Mr. Smith will be duly appreciated. . . .

Very respectfully,
E. H. Parsons
U. S. Marshall

Friday, Feb. 5, 1892

The day was spent in considering the public interest. Last evening Bros. G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith and F. M. Lyman blest me. C. W. Bennett left for the east this morning. I left on the evening train.

Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

I put up at the Hotel Arlington. Met Judge M. M. Estee and Col. Isaac Trumbo. I called upon Senators R. Proctor, H. M. Teller, Stewart of Nevada and other gentlemen. I received the following

To Hon. James G. Blaine
Secretary of State

My Dear Uncle,

Allow me to present Mr. John Henry Smith a prominent Mormon who is also a staunch Republican. He desires to meet and talk with you about the political situation in Utah. We shall appreciate the favor if you will grant him an interview.

Affectionately yours,
Margaret B. M. Salisbury

Today the Utah contingent of the Democratic party made some talk before the Committee on Territories of the house. Mr. H. W. Smith did the talking. Also Judge Judd spoke.

Thursday, Feb. 11, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

The Senate Committee on Territories met at 10 a.m. and Mr. H. W. Smith presented his argument in favor of home rule. I had a visit with Senators [Orville H.] Platt of Conn. and Senator [Joseph] Carey of Wyoming. By telegram from home last evening I learned that my son D. C. Smith had met with a severe accident.

Friday, Feb. 12, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

The committee on Territories met and further Arguments were made by C. C. Richards, Judge Judd and F. S. Richards. Some feeling was raised by some questions raised by Senator Jones of Arkansas in regard to Ex-Senator Ramsay and Senators Padock when on the Utah Commission as to certain rulings which were overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Saturday, Feb. 13, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

The Committee met at 10 a.m. F. S. Richards and J. S. Rawlings made their talks. The latter did not make a good impression.

Monday, Feb. 15, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

I have spent the day about the Capital.

I called upon Senator Dubois in the evening and talked over Idaho Politics. Mr. C. W. Bennett is still in his cups.

The house committee on Territories heard speeches by the democrats. Judge M. M. Estee got back from New York.

Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

Judge Anderson, Ex-Marshall Dyer and J. S. Rawlings made speeches on Home Rule before the house committee on Territories. I spent the evening with Representative Bartine of Nevada.

Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

Mr. O. W. Powers made a speech against home Rule bill before the house Committee on Territories. He told several hard stories and then went after H. W. Smith in rattling shape and had telegrams by the yard denying Smith's statements. I called upon Senator Cullom. Col. I. Trumbo got back this morning from New York. I called upon J. G. Blaine and had a nice chat with him.

Thursday, Feb. 18, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

At 10 a.m. today [C. E.] Allen and O. W. Powers made their talks

before the Senate Committee. Allen was very bitter quoting largely from old time discourses.

Friday, Feb. 19, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

The Liberals and Home Rule people had the day with the Senate and House too.

Saturday, Feb. 20, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

Gov. West was heard before the Senate today He made a long talk in favor of home Rule. I went by train to New York.

Sunday, Feb. 21, 1892 - New York City

Met H. B. Clawson, Spencer Clawson, J. F. Wells, G. Q. Cannon & Col. I Trumbo.

Monday, Feb. 22, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

I returned to Washington and found Mr. C. W. Bennett intoxicated. The people of this City celebrated Washington's birthday. I received a telegram from W. H. Rowe. See Caine's Cypher. Salisbury says in addition to Clarkson's influence get personal friends of Russell B. Harrison to get him to telegraph Governor urging appointment mentioned in my letter of nineteenth.

Tuesday, Feb. 23, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

I received the following: You get ready and make a statement avoiding home Rule. C. M. Bennett and I went to Senate. He spoke and made a vicious attack upon home Rule and spoke in favor of statehood. I followed for just a few moments and answered some questions and said I preferred the present Condition to home Rule. I telegraphed to Trumbo: Home Rule badly antagonized.

Wednesday, Feb. 24, 1892 - New York City

I met Bros. G. Q. Cannon, H. B. Clawson and Col. Isaac Trumbo. We talked over the situation and concluded to let the matter remain. We visited the dog show and saw many dogs valued at \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00 each.

Thursday, Feb. 25, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

I bid my friends goodbye and went to the B. & O. station and took train for Washington. Upon my arrival I was requested to appear before the House Committee on Territories.

Friday, Feb. 16, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

I went before the house Committee on Territories and talked about three quarters of an hour. They treated me with great Kindness.

Saturday, Feb. 27, 1892 - Washington, D.C.

I spent most of the day at the Capital. I read and revised my speech

of the day before. I had a short visit with Delegate Caine. At 8:15 p.m. I took B. & O. train for the West.

[Visited uncle at Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and went to Manassa, Colorado, before reaching Salt Lake City on March 10.]

Tuesday, March 15, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I returned to the City and attended the Directors meeting of Z.C.M.I. We had long sitting and a rather warm one. Bro. M. Thatcher was badly keyed up. He made a proposition to buy the surplus Z.C.M.I. stock which was taken under advisement. He proposed to resign and it was accepted but he back[ed] out.

Wednesday, March 16, 1892 - Salt Lake City

A large Democratic Committee waited on the Presidency of the Church and made complaints over the Logan election and read letters and affidavits showing that George F. Gibbs had used his influence in favor of the Republicans. Some one in this business has done wrong.

[Went to Cedar City for church and political meetings, March 18-22.]

Saturday, March 26, 1892 - Salt Lake City

The Republican County convention was held today to elect Delegates to the Territorial Convention at Provo on the first.

Monday, March 28, 1892 - Salt Lake City

H. J. Grant came home from California. Cannon, Grant & Co. met and agreed to endorse for the Sugar Co. to the tune of \$100,000.00. I paid Life Insurance Co. \$260.40.

Friday, April 1, 1892 - Salt Lake City

The Republican Territorial Convention met in the opera House at Provo. O. J. Salisbury and F. J. Cannon were chosen as delegates to the National Convention at Minneapolis in June. James Sharp and George Sutherland were chosen as Alternates.

Monday, April 4, 1892 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

My son George Albert is 22 years old today. Fifteen years ago today I married my wife Josephine. By letter from her received today she says she has never regreted the step she then took and neither have I, but still rejoice over it.

10 a.m. Conference.

The Church voted to establish a Church University.

Wednesday, April 6, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Conference at 10 a.m. Prests. George Q. Cannon & W. Woodruff spoke. The Conference moved from the building to the south of the Temple,

where the services of placing the Capstone was attended to. Prayer by Joseph F. Smith. Music and Singing.

At 12:30 President W. Woodruff touched an electric button and the stone dropped into place. I believe that sixty thousand people witnessed the ceremony.

Bro. Lorenzo Snow led the Hozana shout and the waving of handkerchiefs. It was indeed a grand sight.

Thursday, April 7, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I got a loan for the Standard, forever, I guess, of \$6,800.00.

Thirteen members of Cannon, Grant & Co. met and agreed to endorse the Sugar Co. note for \$100,000.00.

Friday, April 8, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I got in cash from a friend \$6,300.00 and I went to Ogden and put it into the hands of another friend.

Tuesday, April 19, Salt Lake City

I turned over to Cannon, Grant & Co. Five thousand dollars in State bank stock and it was received for \$5,500.00, also Z[ions] Saving bank stock which is worth \$5,000.00. I secured a five thousand note at the Savings bank with \$4,634.00 K. stock and \$1,000.00 Home life stock.

The owners of the Home life agreed to dissolve the Co.

Monday, April 25, 1892 - Manassa, Colorado

I spent most of the day reading in Prescott's Conquest of Mexico.

Thursday, April 28, 1892 - Manassa

I finished reading the Conquest of Mexico.

I sealed Horace M. Mortensen and Matilda M. Funk at my house today.

Friday, April 29, 1892 - Manassa

I sealed John D. Westbrook and Leander E. Kelley at my house. I wrote Sarah and mailed two licences to W. H. Russell, Conejas.

Sunday, May 1, 1892 - Manassa

Today is to be observed by the whole church as a day of fasting and prayer. Myself and family went to meeting; there was a large attendance. About 20 persons spoke.

Friday, May 6, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed today at the Deseret bank \$7,000.00 and am to pay 8 percent per annum. The note is dated tomorrow. I put up 60 shares of Z.C.M.I. and 25 shares of Coop. W. & M. Co. stock. I exchanged at the Company office some old stock for the new.

Monday, May 9, 1892 - Spanish Fork

I met with the board of Directors of the Spanish Fork Coop and we talked over the business and agreed to pay a dividend of \$3.00 to the share, part in stock and part in m[erchandise].

Tuesday, May 10, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I returned home and attended a meeting of the Groesbeck Co. at 10:30 a.m. and we agreed to pay a dividend of \$225.00 to each interest. The Directors of the Home Fire met and the Territorial Republican Committee met and talked over the candidate for the Committeeman for Utah of the National Committee.

Considerable feeling is being manifested over the matter.

Thursday, May 12, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Mr. Arthur Brown told me today that every Mormon was a traitor. I just smiled at him.

Friday, May 13, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I received the following letter from the Presidency:

To the members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Dear Brethren and Sisters,

Elder John Henry Smith, one of the Twelve apostles of the Lord Jesus Christ, has been Authorized by us to pay a visit to the various stakes of Zion, for the comfort and edification of the Saints, to direct, Counsel and advise in all matters relating to their duties and to set in order the churches, as the wisdom of the spirit of God in him may inspire. And we heartily commend Elder Smith to the Officers and Members of the church as a man of God sent to them to guide them in the ways of truth and eternal life. And we invite all men to give heed to his teachings and Counsel, and accept them as the word and will of the Lord for their guidance and salvation.

With Constant prayers for all the Israel of God

We remain your brethren

Wilford Woodruff

Geo. Q. Cannon

Jos. F. Smith

Tuesday, May 17, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I returned to the City [from Rock Springs, Wyoming] and talked over with the Presidency the Democratic Convention and Bro. M. Thatcher's great speech and the satanic part of it.²⁶

²⁶ At the Democratic territorial convention on 14 May, Moses Thatcher, in a lengthy speech, praised democracy as a better way of governing than centralization, obviously aligning the Democratic Party with democracy and the Republican Party with central-

Thursday, May 19, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I went to Ogden and had a talk with Bro. F. J. Cannon, and he is to write a reply to Bro. M. Thatcher's speech.

Friday, May 20, 1892 - Salt Lake City

F. J. Cannon came to the City and read what he had written in reply to Bro. M. Thatcher. It was regarded as quite able.

Monday, May 23, 1892 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

I called at the Standard Office and had a visit with F. J. Cannon. I ordered a letter signed by Jos. F. Smith and myself printed in the Standard and returned to Salt Lake City.

Wednesday, May 25, 1892 - Manti

We all went through the Temple, all but Lucy E. Woodruff getting endowments for the dead.

I sealed Lucy Emily Woodruff to my son George Albert Smith.

Thursday, May 26, 1892 - Salt Lake City

We returned to the City and with over a hundred others attended the reception held at Uncle Elias Smith's. Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon and Jos. F. Smith were present.

We had a magnificent supper.

Friday, May 27, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the City most of the day. I called upon Judge Bennett. Several of us agreed to pay a hundred dollars each to help some friends to go to Minneapolis.

Monday, May 30, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I bought and paid for a sleeper ticket to Minneapolis in the sleeping Car.

Tuesday, May 31, 1892 - Salt Lake City

About 30 persons have reported to go in our Car. I bought a suit of clothes and some shoes. I got a Ticket from Columbus to Minneapolis.

[Left June 1 on special train for Republican National Convention in Minneapolis.]

ization. The speech was construed to connect Jesus Christ with the Democrats and Lucifer with the Republicans, and evidently upset many Republicans. See *Ogden Standard*, May 15, 1892, for a summary and May 24, 1892, for a longer account with rebuttal comments by Frank J. Cannon, Republican editor of the *Standard*.

Friday, June 3, 1892 - Minneapolis

Judge C. W. Bennett and Wife had preceeded us and he had secured Rooms for head Quarters in the Lumber Exchange building, but few people have arrived as yet.

Sunday, June 5, 1892 - Minneapolis

All of us put in the day visiting delegations and obtained promises that they would stand by us.

Monday, June 6, 1892 - Minneapolis

People began to pour into the City and we made every effort we could to see leading men and all hands received us in a friendly way. My Uncle D. L. Libbey and wife came in from Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Tuesday, June 7, 1892 - Minneapolis

The National Committee unanimously voted to seat our Delegates in the Convention.

Thursday, June 9, 1892 - Minneapolis

The Convention met at noon. The committee on Credentials asked further time. It was granted. After some talk the meeting adjourned.

8 p.m. met again. The Committee on Credentials made a verbal report. The majority recommended the seating of both delegations from Utah, the Minority reported against it. Much filebustering was done as it was regarded as a test of the strength of Blaine and Harrison. The result showed that Blaine had 423 votes, Harrison 463 3/4 votes, a victory for the President.²⁷

Friday, June 10, 1892 - Minneapolis

The Convention met at 11 a.m. Their was lots of skirmishing all along the line. Senator Wolcott of Colorado nominated in a flowing speech J. G. Blaine. It was seconded by speakers from various states.

Chauncey Depew nominated Benjamin Harrison, which was also seconded by many. The voting showed that Blaine's followers were demoralized, some for McKinley and some for Tom Reed.

Harrison got the requisite number and the Chairman declaired him the nominee of the Republican party.

While Tom Reed of New York was nominated by acclamation for Vice President. A good Platform was adopted.

Blaine's name excited the enthusiasm but the President had the votes.

²⁷ Two separate Utah delegations were sent to the Republican national convention in Minneapolis: one composed of the Liberal Party Republicans, the other of Mormons and others from the Republican party organized in May 1891. The latter group was seated by the convention (*Ogden Standard*, June 7, 1892).

Thursday, June 16, 1892 - Manassa, Colorado

I got of the train at LaJara and hired a carriage to take me to Manassa. I found all well.

Saturday, June 18, 1892 - Manassa

I spent the day visiting with my family. Bro. F. M. Lyman went East today.

Wednesday, June 22, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I reached home at 12 midnight and found all well. I called at the office to see President Jos. F. Smith and he set my son George apart for his mission.

Thursday, June 23, 1892 - Salt Lake City

My son George Albert left for his mission to the Southern States this morning. I went to Ogden with him.

Wednesday, June 29, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I was at home most of the day reading [Orson F.] Whitney's History of Utah.

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Statehood*

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Friday, July 1, 1892 - Salt Lake City

The weather is very hot. Trouble is brewing between John Morgan and A. J. Burt.

Sunday, July 3, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Divorce proceedings were instituted by Sheriff Burt and wife against each other and I have spent the day trying to soften up matters.

Monday, July 4, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day trying to reconcile the Burt-Morgan troubles.

Tuesday, July 5, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Burt & Morgan withdrew their cases from court this morning, aside from the Divorce case. I received from the Groesbeck Co. a dividend of \$225.00.

Thursday, July 14, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. The Groesbeck Co., the Home Life, and Grant Bros. Co. The Groesbeck Co. Directors voted to release some ten thousand dollars of Wm. stock.

[Went to conferences in Wyoming and Colorado, July 16-August 2.]

Saturday, July 16, 1892 - Montpelier, Idaho, to Afton, Wyoming

Prest. James H. Hart, Bros. Findlay and Duffin in one carriage and John Bagley, Jr. and I in another buggy drove through to Afton in Star Valley, Uintah Co. Wyoming. I put up with Bro. Wm. Burton, who has a

nice place. The people here have built a very fine meeting house not quite completed. It would be a credit to a much old[er] settlement.

Sunday, July 17, 1892 - Afton

A ward conference convened here at 10 a.m.

President J. H. Hart spoke, also a few reports were made and I spoke part of the time. At the 2 p.m. meeting Bros. Lindsay, Duffin, John Bagley and Bp. Cazier and myself spoke. A good spirit prevailed.

Bro. John Bagley and I drove to Auburn and held meeting in the evening.

Monday, July 18, 1892 - Auburn

At 10 a.m. today we held a political meeting. Bro. J. Bagley and I both spoke and a good spirit prevailed. Most of the people were present.

We drove to Glencoe in the Lower Valley and held a political meeting. The people of Freedom also came and we had a good time.

Tuesday, July 19, 1892 - Afton and Fairview, Wyoming

After breakfast we drove to Afton. I wrote a short letter to Prest. W. Woodruff. We held a political meeting and I took up all of the time.

We drove to Fairview and held a political meeting. Bro. J. H. Bagley and I both spoke. I was feeling very humorous.

Saturday, July 23, 1892 - Manassa

I found all of my family in very good health except Josephine and she is in bad health.

Sunday, July 24, 1892 - Manassa

Bros. Moses Thatcher, John Morgan and myself attended Sunday [school]. We also attended the afternoon meeting. S. S. Smith, Sr., Moses Thatcher and I spoke. Many of the people came over from Sanford. S. S. Smith, Sr. told the people that the story circulating about that he had given evidence against John Morgan was not true.

Monday, Aug. 1, 1892 - Manassa

Josephine and I spent the day reading.

Thursday, Aug. 4, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I gave Sarah a note for one thousand dollars, secured by 6 shares Z.C.M.I. and 200 shares Spanish Fork Coop. Stock.

Friday, Aug. 5, 1892 - Salt Lake City

The stockholders of the Home Life Insurance Co. met and appointed a committee to Wind up their business.

John A. Groesbeck and Hyrum Groesbeck and I did some talk over borrowing two hundred thousand dollars.

[Went to Idaho for conference and political matters, August 12-30.]

Sunday, Aug. 14, 1892 - Lewiston, Idaho

[Telegram to Seymour B. Young, Blackfoot]

Deliver following to John Henry Smith and answer if you receive this dispatch. After consultation it is considered best for you to take Hoge of Bear Lake and visit Roberts at Boise immediately. Don't wait for other engagements. Tender any possible service which we can render to Roberts. Arrange case before you return. Convention meets at Moscow Aug. 18th. When you reach Boise Telegraph.

W. B. Dougal

I telegraphed Walter Hoge to meet me at Pocatello.

Wednesday, Aug. 17, 1892 - Moscow, Idaho

The Delegates to the Republican State Convention are coming in from all over the state. Most of them are at the Moscow hotel. There is lots of log rolling going on among the delegates.

Thursday, Aug. 18, 1892 - Moscow

The state Republican Convention met at 11 a.m. in the Armory hall. W. E. Borah was made temporary chairman, and Jos. Sharp permanent chairman.

John Bagley, Jr. and Walter Hoge are here and did some fine work in the interests of the Saints in Idaho.¹

Friday, Aug. 19, 1892 - Moscow

The Convention was in session all day.

A Resolution was passed pledging the party to repeal the Elections Oath.

I made the acquaintance of all of the Leaders of the party.

Sunday, Aug. 21, 1892 - Moscow

Gen. G. H. Roberts went to Boise and we moved on to Pocatello. I went up to Idaho Falls. I met U. S. Senator F. T. Dubois and talked over the political situation in Idaho and his views in regard to the test oath. He promised me to see Judges Houston and Morgan and talk the matter over with them.

Monday, Aug. 22, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I received from the Home Life Insurance Co. in closing up that company business: Cash or check for \$3,510.00 and the ballance in sugar

¹Church leaders were interested in repealing the test oath, which disfranchised many Mormons in Idaho.

stock. I paid \$3,500.00 on a State Bank note and placed the sugar stock as security in the Saving bank.

Tuesday, Aug. 23, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Z.C.M.I. board of Directors and we talked over the Chamber of Commerce suit against the Union Pacific.

Wednesday, Aug. 24, 1892 - Claytons Camp on the Weber River

I went by rail to Kimballs and with William Kimball to Claytons Camp on the Weber and had a talk with Prest. Woodruff and G. Q. Cannon over the railroad suit. They endorsed what had been done by the Board of Directors.

Monday, Sept. 5, 1892 - Salt Lake City

It is labor day and everybody is having a good time. Prest. A. R. Smith and I called upon the Presidency and they decided to send a few men to Marriana. We also talked over the political situation in Colorado and concluded we would have to let matters take their own way.

[Went to Idaho on political matters, September 8-23.]

Friday, Sept. 9, 1892 - Idaho Falls, Idaho

I went out into the Country to hold a political meeting. We had a good attendance. I spoke over an hour.

Monday, Sept. 12, 1892 - Ogden

I reached Ogden to find Mother [Farr] had died on Saturday evening.

Funeral services were held on Monday. Moses Thatcher, Jos. Parry, Chas. Middleton and Bp. Barnard White spoke.

Thursday, Sept. 15, 1892 - Salt Lake City

The Republican Convention convened today at the Salt Lake Theatre. F. J. Cannon, C. W. Bennett, George Sutherland and Judge Bowman were candidates for the nomination of Delegate to Congress.

[Went to Idaho for conferences, September 17-24.]

Sunday, Sept. 18, 1892 - Oakley, Idaho

I am 44 years old today. The stake Conference was held at Marion Ward.

Tuesday, Sept. 20, 1892 - Oakley

The day was spent in reading and in the evening we held a political meeting and I spoke at some length.

Saturday, Sept. 24, 1892 - Logan and Salt Lake City

I went to Logan and Called upon Prov. J. W. Sanborn and arranged for my boys to go to school. I returned to the City to learn of the

death of my cousins Clara Lyman and Sadie Hewlit, William Burbage dead and Aunt Lucy Smith very dangerously sick.

Saturday, Oct. 1, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I was about home most all day at the bedside of Aunt Lucy.

Monday, Oct. 3, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Aunt Lucy gave me a deed to all of our joint property.

She gave to my Wife Sarah our stock in Z.C.M.I. and transfered it. She distributed her effects among the family.

Josephine & children came tonight.

Wednesday, Oct. 5, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Aunt Lucy died at 12:07 a.m. today. I telegraphed her death to George, my brother Charles, my sister Mary, Lorin Farr, and Edward Lyman.

Friday, Oct. 7, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Aunt Lucy's funeral was held at 12 noon. E. B. Trip, P. Sessions, Jos. F. Smith, Lorin Farr and A. M. Cannon all spoke.

Monday, Oct. 10, 1892 - Salt Lake City

A Priesthood meeting was held in the Temple.

\$50,000.00 was subscribed to aid in the completion of the Temple.

In the evening George M. Cannon and I talked politics at Union precinct.

Sunday, Oct. 16, 1892 - Provo

I went to Provo and attended Conference but could not speak owing [to] a violent cold. I returned to the city.

Tuesday, November 8, 1892 - Salt Lake City

The World is on fire today.

I went to Republican headquarters in the evening and soon learned that everything all over the land was going Democratic.

Wednesday, November 9, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Ellection returns show a regular landslide for the Democracy.

Sunday, November 13, 1892 - Salt Lake City

The funeral of David Hoagland Cannon [son of George Q. Cannon] was held to[day] and in connection therewith services in remembrance of the other Elders who had died abroad.

W. Woodruff, Jos. F. Smith & F. D. Richards were the speakers.

[Took Lucy Woodruff Smith, George Albert's wife, to Chatanooga, Tennessee, where they met George Albert, who was serving a mission there.]

Friday, Dec. 2, 1892 - Manassa, Colorado

I spent the entire day reading and taking notes on the life of A. Hamilton.

Saturday, Dec. 3, 1892 - Manassa

My sons Nicholas and Joseph and myself spent the day fixing up the fence and cleaning up about the place.

Thursday, Dec. 8, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I paid the Equitable Life Insurance Co. \$504.00 for myself and \$133.00 for my son George.

Friday, Dec. 9, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day reading in the Federalist and taking notes for my lectures.

Sunday, Dec. 11, 1892 - Salt Lake City

I lectured on Hamilton at the Theatre tonight. Judge C. S. Zane, Ex.-Gov. Emery and West were present to listen to me. I had very good liberty.

Monday, Dec. 12, 1892 - Salt Lake City

The Groesbeck Co. had a business meeting to talk over the tax business. I submitted a Standard Publishing Co. note to the Presidency for \$5,000.00 and reminded them that we, W. H. Rowe and myself, had signed it at their request and I wanted them to keep it in mind. It was renewed for one year to A. Brixon, and I am a signer, as also Rowe at the request of the Presidency, they to stand between us and harm.

Thursday, Dec. 15, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant and A. H. Cannon and myself met and agreed to get rid of our lawyers.

Friday, Dec. 16, 1892 - Salt Lake City

Sarah and I went to the Theatre to see Much Ado about Nothing.

Monday, Dec. 19, 1892 - on train to Manassa

I spent the day reading in the Life of Napoleon Bonaparte by Burrenne.

Saturday, Dec. 24, 1892 - Manassa

Josephine and I went to Antonito to make some purchases for Christmas.

Sunday, Dec. 25, 1892 - Manassa

We attended Sunday School and meeting.

We had a nice Christmas tree for the children.

Sunday, Jan. 1, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I spoke for an hour at the Tabernacle today. Bro. John W. Taylor did not come today. We had a nice turkey for dinner. At home in the evening.

Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent about the City. I borrowed at the Zions Savings bank \$5,250.00 and paid interest on a Note \$140.00.

[At the request of the Presidency] I went to Farmington and spoke at the funeral of Bro. Joseph L. Robinson. Several others of the brethren spoke also. He left two wives and two hundred and twenty descendants.

Saturday, Jan. 7, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, John W. Taylor, A. H. Cannon, C. C. Richards, H. H. Rollap, Mat Browning, Thos. D. Dee, L. W. Shurtliff and myself met in Council and talked over the Ogden Standard business.

Friday, Jan. 13, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and all of the Twelve in Utah met today again. F. M. Lyman, H. B. Clawson and I were appointed a committee to me[e]t Mr. P. H. Lannan [publisher of the *Salt Lake Tribune*] and talk over the political situation. We did so but it amounted to but little.

[Had a short visit in Manassa, January 16-18.]

Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Joseph F. Smith sealed Augusta Winters to H. J. Grant.

Thursday, Jan. 26, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Moses Thatcher, F. D. Richards, A. H. Cannon and I met in Council.

The Tribune questions were answered by F. S. Richards and all approved by the brethren present. I took them to Mr. Lannan.

Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1893 - Provo

I went to Provo today and qualified for a Director of the Enquirer. Paid for one share of stock \$25.00 and \$1.00 subscription. I visited mother and returned home.

Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I paid the Deseret National Bank \$140.00 interest on note.

Saturday, Feb. 11, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff sent for me to the office. I went and found E. A. Smith, C. C. Richards, A. H. Cannon and Prest. W. Woodruff; shortly

after, F. D. Richards, Moses Thatcher and Geo. F. Gibbs came. The question was as to the political situation at Cheyenne. C. C. Richards and E. A. Smith gave their views and left.

Prest. W. Woodruff decided to send a telegram to Russell and Allred to stand by their parties. This view was sustained by F. D. Richards, A. H. Cannon, and Moses Thatcher, G. F. Gibbs and I holding he had no business to do that as he was not in politics and the parties had not applied to him for his counsel in any way.

He decided to send the telegram.

Sunday, Feb. 12, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Sarah and I drove out to Cottonwood and spent the day at the bedside of Grandma Farr, who is dying. We returned home in the evening and attended the services in honor of Mr. J. G. Blaine. Judges C. S. Zane, C. C. Goodwin, F. S. Richards, A. M. Cannon, C. Elis, and I spoke. We had some sweet music. It stormed like wrath today.

Monday, Feb. 13, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Telegrams were received today and others sent to parties at Cheyenne and at Washington.

Wednesday, Feb. 15, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon reading one of Mark Twain's books.

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met and went through the reports and heard from the Executive Committee who had visited the various branches.

The Institution seems to be flourishing.

Friday, Feb. 17, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Moses Thatcher, Abraham H. Cannon and I spent the day looking up Furniture and Carpets for the Apostles rooms in the Temple.

Thursday, Feb. 23, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I received from Josephine a power of attorney to attend to all of her business.

Presidents W. Woodruff, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, A. H. Lund, A. H. Cannon and I went through the Temple and examined the work. It is progressing nicely.

Sunday, Feb. 26, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I am quite lame and spent the day in the house reading the scriptures.

Monday, Feb. 27, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I wrote to Josephine and sent Draft for \$75.00, to George and sent Draft for \$25.00.

Wednesday, March 1, 1893 - Salt Lake City

President Wilford Woodruff is 86 years old today and in good health and spirits. [Lists those who attended birthday party.]

We had an elegant time and the supper was choice.

Prest. W. Woodruff gave to each visitor a card with a sentiment written upon it.

Friday, March 3, 1893 - en route to Colorado

I spent the day reading Flint's Life of S. A. Douglas.

Wednesday, March 8, 1893 - Manassa

I spent the day reading the lives of the Elder and Younger Pitt.

Thursday, March 9, 1893 - Manassa

I spent the day reading the life of Robert Burns.

Friday, March 10, 1893 - Manassa

I read the life of Martin Luther through today and took train for Salt Lake City.

Sunday, March 12, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Friday night March 10th Grand Mother Olive Hovey Freeman Farr [mother of Lorin Farr] died at 8:30 p.m., aged 92 years, 8 months and 17 days.

Tuesday, March 14, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, Francis M. Lyman, J. W. Taylor, A. H. Lund, A. H. Cannon and myself met in Council. Prest. W. Woodruff stated to the brethren that his feeling[s] were that we must not be to stringent as to who among our people should attend the dedication services but that all who held any kind of a standing should go through the Temple and look at the building.

The funeral of Grand Ma Farr was held at my house at 12 noon. Moses Thatcher, Ben E. Rich and myself spoke.

I did not go to the grave.

Sunday, March 19, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day at home reading the Bible.

Tuesday, March 21, 1893 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. the following members of the 12 met in Council in the Historian's Office: Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, Francis M. Lyman, John H. Smith, Geo. Teasdale, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Lund and Abraham H. Cannon. Some of the brethren spoke and many good things fell from their lips.

Wednesday, March 22, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The same brethren of the 12 met and had a good time together. Prest. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon and Jos. F. Smith came and the political situation was talked over. Bro. M. Thatcher was felt not to be in harmony with the first presidency. He partly conceded he was wrong but did not go far enough.

Thursday, March 23, 1893

The Presidency and all of the 12 but Bros. M. Thatcher and H. J. Grant were together all day and partook of the sacrament. It was decided that we were not willing to fellowship Bro. M. Thatcher in his present feelings.

Thursday, March 30, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, Abraham H. Cannon and myself went to Dinwoodeys and picked out some furniture for our room [in the Temple]. Among the items a Parlor set, five oak chairs, two Wardrobes. We borrowed two tables. We ate Oysters at Arbogast's.

Presidents W. Woodruff, George Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, F. D. Richards, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, George Teasdale, A. H. Cannon and I met in Council. A nice letter was received from John W. Young. Dr. W. B. Parkinson also wrote to the brethren about the condition [poor health] of Bro. Moses Thatcher. Bro. F. M. Lyman made a report of his and John W. Taylor's visit to Bro. M. T. and said the latter had a very bad spirit.

Friday, March 31, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, George Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, George Teasdale, George Reynolds, Geo. F. Gibbs, B. H. Roberts and myself met and talked over the situation and the question of allegiance. Bro. B. H. Roberts declared himself fully in accord with us.

Monday, April 3, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, George Teasdale, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Lund, A. H. Cannon and myself met in Council.

Bros. Lyman and Taylor reported a visit to Bro. M. Thatcher and said he did not receive them kindly but exhibited a bad spirit.

I assisted in the setting apart of Sister Franklin S. Richards and May Preston to go to the World's fair.

Josephine and the children arrived tonight. All well.

Tuesday, April 4, 1893 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

23 years ago today my son George Albert was born. 16 years ago today my wife Josephine was sealed. I baptized and confirmed my son Joseph

Harmon a member of the Church. He was eight years old on December 17th, 1892.

7 p.m. Priesthood meeting. Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman and I spoke. We all dwelt upon the Authority of the Presidency.

Wednesday, April 5, 1893 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

All of the Twelve except Bro. J. H. Grant were together tonight until Twelve O clock and Eld. Moses Thatcher confessed he had been wrong in the position he had taken in regard to Political matters and that he desired the fellowship of the Presidency and his Quorum.

About five hundred non-Mormons went through the Temple today.

**Thursday, April 6, 1893 - Salt Lake City
[dedicatory services for the Salt Lake Temple]**

The Temple was crowded to Overflowing. Singing.

Prest. Wilford Woodruff called the meeting to order and he offered the Dedicatory prayer. It took 35 minutes.

The shout of hossanna was given with waving of handkerchiefs, Bro. Lorenzo Snow leading. The Salt Lake Choir sang Hossanna, The Spirit of God like a Fire is Burning.

George Q. Cannon and Jos. F. Smith spoke under the influence of the spirit.

2:30 p.m. Singing.

Remarks by Prest. W. Woodruff. Prest. George Q. Cannon offered the dedicatory prayer. It took him 40 minutes.

George Q. Cannon, Lorenzo Snow, Wilford Woodruff spoke. Brigham Young offered the Benedi[c]tion.

Note my wives Sarah and Josephine and children Don C., Ezra Chase, Sarah Ann, Winslow Farr, Nicholas G., Nathaniel L. & Joseph H. were present.

The wind blew the swiftest ever known in this City today. Much damage was done. Some gulls lighted on the Tower of the Temple.

[Dedicatory services continued through April 23. Participants and music are listed for days when John Henry Smith attended.]

Friday, April 7, 1893 - Salt Lake City [dedication continued]

Prest. Wilford Woodruff said the Lord had revealed to him that the building was accepted, that if the vail was rent we could see [a] host of heavenly beings.

Mrs. Benjamin Bennett gave birth to a baby boy in the Temple just at the close of the evening services.

Monday, April 10, 1893 - Salt Lake City [dedication continued]

Prest. W. Woodruff spoke and said their were Temples in heaven.

The Stockholders of the Groesbeck Co. voted to borrow \$165,000.00.

Thursday, April 13, 1893 - Salt Lake City [dedication continued]

Prest. George Q. Cannon said these services had been under the influence of the spirit of the Lord. Prest. W. Woodruff said the ancient Prophets from Adam down has looked for this day. A change has come in the spirit of all men to us. The Apostles will not turn away from the truth.

Prest. W. Woodruff said that on a certain occassion a gentleman had threatened the church with utter overthrow if the Presidency continued their course. Three days after this gentleman* was dead. *Ex. U.S. Marshall Dyer.

Friday, April 14, 1893 - Salt Lake City [dedication continued]

Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon said that over thirty thousand saints had attended these Services. Prest. W. Woodruff said that in a vission 50 years ago he saw the dedication of this Temple. Prest. Jos. F. Smith called upon the people to say by vote whether the Lord had accepted the offering of the saints and it was unanimous.

About 20 sisters were set apart to go to the world's fair at Chicago.

**Saturday, April 15, 1893 - Salt Lake City
[dedication continued]**

Moses Thatcher is dangerously sick.

Sunday, April 16, 1893 - Salt Lake City [dedication continued]

2:30 p.m. Choir sang Oh my Father. G. Q. spoke. H. J. Grant offered the prayer. The shout was given. I, G. Teasdale, Joseph F. Smith and G. Q. Cannon spoke. Choir sang Our Father in Heaven. I announced the sickness of Bro. M. Thatcher and asked the saints to join Bro. R. S. Wells in prayer for him.

Monday, April 17, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Hon. Elijah Sells, Secretary of State [of Utah Territory] notified me that I had been appointed by the Governor of the Territory a Delegate to the Trans-Mississippi Congress.²

The Presidency and Twelve wished me to go to Logan with Bp. Wm. B. Preston and see Elder Moses Thatcher. We did so and found him very low.

²The Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress was an organization of western states established to promote the economic interests of these states.

Tuesday, April 18, 1893 - Logan

Bro. M. Thatcher passed a bad night. I made an effort to keep the people away from him.

He seemed a little improved this evening. After the consultation of Doctors J. Richards, J. Benedict, O. C. Ormsby and Parkinson they did not agree as to the trouble but they prescribed one tablespoonfull of buttermilk every half hour.

Monday, April 24, 1893 - Ogden

The Services in the Temple closed today.

I went to Ogden and attended the Trans-Mississippi Congress. Ex Governor Prince of New Mexico presided [over] the deliberations of the Congress. The Salt Lake delegation voted not to bring up the Utah statehood question unless the other Territories brought forward their claims and then Utah was free to act.

Thursday, April 27, 1893 - Ogden

In the Congress today the statehood Question was sprung and matters at once got pretty warm. R. N. Baskin, Gov. A. L. Thomas, and C. C. Godwin spoke against it. Col. John P. Irish, Tom Patterson, Frank J. Cannon, Dave Evans and Franklin S. Richards and Senator Warren spoke in favor.

The vote was in favor of statehood, Utah not voting.

Saturday, April 29, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Josephine and the children returned to Colorado. I went as far as Provo with them and returned home in the evening.

Sunday, April 30, 1893 - Logan and Salt Lake City

I went to Logan to the Conference. . . . By Telegraph we were called to the City as Prest. Woodruff was thought to be dying. Bro. Moses Thatcher is gaining a little.

Tuesday, May 2, 1893 - Salt Lake City

We were at the office nearly all day. Many items of business came up. I paid Sarah one hundred dollars in interest on note.

Thursday, May 4, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I drew \$224.00 from the State Bank on Z.C.M.I. check to go East on.

Prest. W. Woodruff is very sick.

Friday, May 5, 1893 - en route to Kentucky

My wife Sarah, H. B. Clawson and wife Ellen and Daughter Ruby and myself took U.P.R.R. train at 8 a.m. for the East.

Wednesday, May 10, 1893 - Louisville, Kentucky

At 10 a.m. the Delegates to the [Republican] League Convention met in Theatre. Utah was represented here by Frank J. Cannon, B. E. Rich, H. B. Clawson, Dalley, Snyder, and Myself.

I had lunch with Col. A. Cowan at his clubroom. J. S. Clarkson and several other gentlemen were present.

My wife and I left for Chattanooga at 8 p.m.

Friday, May 12, 1893 - Chattanooga, Tennessee

We reached here at 7:10 a.m. and found George [Albert Smith] and Lucy [Smith] well.

Wednesday, May 17, 1893 - Chicago

We again spent the day in the fair grounds [Columbian Exhibition] and in the evening went to the auditorium to see America played. It was very fine.

Friday, May 19, 1893 - Chicago

I went in the evening to the Chicago Art Palace and heard our sisters deliver themselves in good shape.

[Visited relatives in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, before leaving with Sarah for Manassa. Stayed in Manassa until June 1.]

Monday, June 5, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I paid interest on \$7,000.00 note at Deseret bank and renewed note and am to pay 10 percent.

Monday, June 12, 1893 - Spanish Fork and Salt Lake City

I went to Spanish Fork and met my sons Don C. [and] Ezra Chase. We bought a new Wagon and Harness and loaded it up with a ton of feed. The boys started for and I returned to Salt Lake City by way of the U.P.R.R.

Tuesday, June 13, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I attended the board meeting of Z.C.M.I., the Coop. W. & M. Co. and the Home Fire Insurance Co. I tried to borrow one thousand dollars to day but failed.

Wednesday, June 14, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I took train for Colorado at 8:05 a.m. It was hot and dusty.

Friday, June 16, 1893 - Manassa

I spent most of the day reading. Josephine and I made a few calls.

Saturday, June 17, 1893 - Manassa

2 p.m. the Stockholders of the Mexican C. and A. Co. met and elected Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, George Teasdale, A. F. McDonald,

Bp. W. B. Preston, L. M. Petersen and John Henry Smith Directors for one year. The reports of the Manager, Secretary and Treasurer and President were accepted.

The board organized with Moses Thatcher President, John Henry Smith Vice President, George Teasdale as Manager, S. S. Smith as Secretary, and H. Eyring as his Assistant, L. M. Petersen as Treasurer. We voted to pay Our Secretary \$20.00, our Treasurer \$10.00 amt. for publishing notice.

Friday, June 23, 1893 - Salt Lake City

In company with J. S. Clarkson, Col. Trumbo, Col. [not legible], and Governor Robertson of the Utah Commission and H. B. Clawson. We visited the Sugar Factory and the Beck mine at Eureka, Juab Co. We had a most agreeable day.

Saturday, June 24, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Today Prest. Wilford Woodruff, Joseph F. Smith, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Angus M. Cannon, H. B. Clawson, A. H. and George M. Cannon, Bp. O. F. Whitney and Myself Dined with Gen. J. S. Clarkson and Col. Isaac Trumbo at the Templeton. We had a nice dinner.

Sunday, June 25, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at home and read in the Life of J. G. Blaine and attended the children while my wife went to meeting.

Monday, June 26, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I made an effort to borrow some money but failed. My Father would have been 76 years old today had he have lived.

Tuesday, June 27, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Grant Bros. Livery Co. got notice from the Deseret Savings Bank to pay ten thousand dollars at once or they would be sued. We got a stay of 15 days.

Wednesday, June 28, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the City trying to borrow money.

Thursday, June 29, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Money matters continue exceedingly close. Everybody is calling for money and seemingly none to be got.

Friday, June 30, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The Coop. W. & M. Co. are pushing every where to get money for the Banks. I was at the Groesbeck offices most of the day.

Saturday, July 1, 1893 - Ogden

My wife and I went to Ogden today. We visited at Ben E. Rich's. He has turned over all of his property today to his creditors.

Monday, July 3, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I got \$50.00 from J. Jack. I sent ten dollars each to George and Josephine. I paid the butcher ten, the hired girl five, the blacksmith five, the Iceman four and divided among my boys \$1.50 bought [not legible] with one.

Wednesday, July 5, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co., Home F. I. Co. and Z.C.M.I. met today to talk over the financial situation. The Home Fire declared their usual dividend. I called at the Deseret Bank and to see about the call of my note for seven thousand dollars. H. S. Young told me to do the best I could. Wm. Smith brought in our two cows.

Thursday, July 6, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon with I. M. Waddell working on the statement of my father's Executors. The report was accepted and signed by Jos. F. Smith, John Henry Smith, C. W. Smith, and E. F. Sheets. John Sharp and John Vancott are dead.

Friday, July 7, 1893 - Provo

B. Young and I went to Provo and in Connection with Ed. Partridge presided over the high Counsel in the Case of Williams Vs. Jones, Samuel Lediard, A. Halliday, M. Pratt, Chas. Glazier, Chipman Monch, W. H. King, Thorne Evans, J. Bean.

It was decided that S. S. Jones pay Williams \$700.00 in full of all accounts. We met in the morning and adjourned until evening in which we spent the entire night on the Case.

Sunday, July 9, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I paid three dollars to help meet interest on note.

Tuesday, July 11, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Marriner W. Merrill, Abraham H. Cannon and I met at the Temple and had prayers and talked over the situation.

Wednesday, July 12, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The Apostles who met yesterday met again today and each one spoke. Presidents W. Woodruff and Joseph F. Smith joined us and We partook of the Sacrament. Several points of Doctrine were talked over and passed upon.

Friday, July 14, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff said to me today that if he was to be adopted [by] any man aside from his own father that man would be George A. Smith as he was the most fully honest man he ever knew and that he was a virtuous

man in every respect. In company with Jos. F. Smith we examined the Nauvoo sealing records.

Thursday, July 20, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, A. H. Cannon and myself had prayers. I got permission to go away to Colorado for a few days.

We talked over the financial situation.

Saturday, July 22, 1893 - Salida and Manassa

In getting off from the train this morning I fell and hurt my leg and back. I reached Manassa and found all well.

Tuesday, July 25, 1893 - Manassa

I spent the day reading the bible, being unable to walk about.

Saturday, July 29, 1893 - Manassa

I walked out to the Post office today and went with President A. R. Smith to Sandford and attended two Priesthood meetings.

Thursday, Aug. 3, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Prest. Office and Temple most of the day. I find that financial matters are in a bad shape.³

Monday, Aug. 7, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I was in company most of today with the Presidency. Money matters are simply desperate. No person seems to know how to turn in order to meet their obligations.

The wife and children went out to Saltair today and I joined them in the evening.

Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1893 - Salt Lake City

We were trying to consider ways and means most all day but we made but little headway. Joseph F. and I attended the wedding of the daughter of Judge C. S. Zane.

Wednesday, Aug. 9, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Financial matters continue to look very blue. I made trust deeds to

³The church was in acute financial distress in 1893. Tithing receipts had declined as welfare, construction, educational, and economic development expenditures rose, and the result was extensive borrowing from sources within and outside the church. In 1893 some \$105,000 was borrowed from stake presidents and \$200,000 from a Chicago financier. More loans were arranged and church bonds were issued to ease the pressure during the 1890s. See Thomas G. Alexander, *Mormonism in Transition* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1986), 5; and Leonard J. Arrington, *Great Basin Kingdom* (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 1958), 401-403.

Grant Cannon & Co., G. A. Smith and J. G. Smith and will keep them in my own possession. I went to the Theatre in the evening.

Thursday, Aug. 10, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I paid Deseret News for Estate	\$22.50
I received S. E. Smith loan	\$50.00
of church - order	11.00
cash	25.00
I paid do	62.50

I. M. Waddell and I went to the court house and filled all paper[s] for discharge of father's Executors. I went to the hot springs.

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, H. J. Grant, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Cannon, G. F. Gibbs, and I met in Prayer. President W. Woodruff and other brethren spoke comforting words over the situation.

Saturday, Aug. 12, 1893 - Salt Lake City

A majority of Cannon Grant and Co. met and examined into their affairs and found they were seriously involved and decided to get the members who had not paid up their proportion of stock to give securities to the Co. I made a deed of Trust several days ago to cover my note.

The Presidency of the Church and Stakes and some of the Twelve met and talked over the financial Situation but did not determine as to the course they would pursue.

Tuesday, Aug. 15, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met at 12 noon and heard the monthly reports and passed upon several items of Interest. Bro. J. H. Barnes voted against approving the \$5,000.00 excess of notes that Bro. H. J. Grant had just put out in New York. The Home Fire Directors met and refused to loan some of their securities.

Wednesday, Aug. 16, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Some of the members of Cannon Grant and Co. met and talked over the financial Situation. Bp. L. W. Hardy⁴ confessed to me today that he was short in his accounts.

Thursday, Aug. 17, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, J. W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon, Geo.

⁴This evidently refers to L. G. Hardy, son of L. W. Hardy, since L. W. Hardy died in 1884. Apparently Bishop L. G. Hardy, Collector of Salt Lake County, had a fund shortage in his accounts; subsequently, John Henry and Heber J. Grant solicited funds to cover the shortage.

F. Gibbs and myself met and had Prayer and talked over L. G. Hardy's affairs. Brigham Young, Abraham H. Cannon and I were appointed a committee to investigate him and see what he has got to help himself with. He has his farm and home, the former with mortgage upon it.

Friday, Aug. 18, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Brigham Young, Abraham H. Cannon and I met L. G. Hardy and talked over his affairs and found out how much property he has that could be counted on. . . .

My wife and I went to the Theatre in the evening.

Saturday, Aug. 19, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and determined to make a cut in the wages of their employees.

Wednesday, Aug. 23, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Our daughter Elsie continues very sick. The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and declared the stock of William and John A. Groesbeck forfeited to the Co. from failure to pay interest on their notes. A stock dividend was declared which brought to Josephine 390 and me 11 shares. This property is all Josephine's.

Thursday, Aug. 24, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Pres. W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, A. H. Cannon and I met in Council. We agreed to try and protect L. G. Hardy.

Friday, Aug. 25, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I was busy all day trying to fix up affairs. I got an order from the Groesbeck Co. on Kohn for \$35.00 and I got myself and Chase a suit of clothes.

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met and heard reports of the business. It is very dark indeed.

Wednesday, Aug. 30th, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at Home. O. J. Salisbury and D. J. Kenyon had 2740 shares of Groesbeck stock transferred to them. It was the property of H. M. Morgan, Hyrum Groesbeck, N. H. Groesbeck, William, Samuel S., John A., and Joseph Groesbeck. Thus commences the downfall of the Groesbeck family in finance.

Thursday, Aug. 31, 1893 - Salt Lake City

In the afternoon I went to Spanish Fork and got a Certificate of stock for 100 shares, Amount \$1,000.00 dollars in Spanish Fork Coop. in lieu of Certificate that had been lost. I returned home in the evening.

Friday, Sept. 1, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I received from C. Smith, Helen M. Morgan's note for two thousand dollars at 8 per cent per annum secured by 401 shares of Groesbeck Co. stock.

Saturday, Sept. 2, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I got from J. Jack cash \$50.00 for self, orders \$30.00. I got for traveling purposes from him \$70.00.

Monday, Sept. 4, 1893 - Salt Lake City

My child don't seem so well in some respects but better in others. I have put off[f] going south until tomorrow as my permit over the Santa Fe has not come.

Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I telegraphed C. Layton I could not come owing to sickness. My wife and I spent the day in City Creek Canyon with our sick child.

Thursday, Sept. 7, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I paid Interest at the Deseret Bank \$143.95. I was reading and helping to tend baby.

Friday, Sept. 8, 1893 - Salt Lake City

In the evening some of the members of the Groesbeck Co. met and talked over their affairs. John A. Groesbeck is not satisfied with the sale of his stock.

Saturday, Sept. 9, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Still about home reading attending baby. I wrote to Peter Wimmer asking him to move his family out of my house.

Monday, Sept. 11, 1893 - Salt Lake City

We find our little one is gaining slowly.

Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1893 - Salt Lake City

We spent part of the day at the Office and the Directors of the Home Fire Insurance Co. and the Directors of Coop. W. & M. Co. met and talked over our business affairs. Matters still look a little smoky.

Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Lewis Harvey of Pleasant Grove called to see me. He said he had recently had a very severe sick spell and his spirit had a chance to visit the other side. He saw father and Prest. Young and many other of the brethren and sisters and they were all just as happy and as busy as they could be. They blessed him and told him he must return for there was still work on this side to do.

Monday, Sept. 18, 1893 - Manassa

I am forty five years old today and worked hard all day building a stable for the cows.

Tuesday, Sept. 19, 1893 - Manassa

Nicholas, Joseph and I worked all day at our stable. At 7:45 p.m. Josephine gave birth to a son. He would weigh about 8 pounds.

Friday, Sept. 22, 1893 - Manassa

Still working about my place. Josephine and babe are doing nicely.

Wednesday, Sept. 27, 1893 - Manassa

We blest our son and gave him the name of Glen Groesbeck Smith.

Saturday, Sept. 30, 1893 - Salt Lake City

We reached the house at 4 a.m. and found all well except the baby and she is considerably improved. I mailed to Josephine an Order for \$25.00 and five in cash. I got Sarah an order for \$25.00. Mrs. Howarth paid ten on rent. I went and Registered today.

Wednesday, Oct. 4, 1893 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Cannon and I met in Council. I talked a little while and so did others. Bro. M. Thatcher joined us at the afternoon meeting. He is but little improved in his health. He spoke a little while.

Thursday, Oct. 5, 1893 - Salt Lake City

This morning L. Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, J. W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Cannon and I met and Bros. Cannon, Grant, Richards and L. Snow spoke. He [Snow] said the Lord revealed to him that as man is God once was and that [as] God is man will be.

At 1 p.m. Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, and Jos. F. Smith joined us and we partook of the sacrament. Prest. G. Q. C. just returned from California. He predicted that we would pull through our financial troubles all right. The stockholders of Z.C.M.I. met and I was elected a Director for the ensuing year.

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and agreed to accept Mr. Goldberg's offer of a loan at 10 percent for a year for \$65,000.

Friday, Oct. 6, 1893 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

I met with a crowd of my political friends in the evening and a free talk was had over the situation. W. S. McCornick, O. J. Salisbury, S. J. Kenyon, Jos. Sharp, John Morgan, C. W. Bennett, Col. J. W. Donnellan, J. J. Daily, Sam Hill, Major Lynch, Arthur Brown, Willey Brown, W. S. James, Van Horn and myself were present.

Thursday, Oct. 12, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, George Teasdale, Abraham H. Cannon and myself [met]. B. Young reported his work at Richmond and his recommendation was sustained.

We decided to have all of the Presidency, Twelve, Presidents of the Seventies, Presidency of Stakes and Bishoprics keep out of Politics. Except as the Presidency of the Church might wish.

Monday, Oct. 16, 1893 - Salt Lake City

My Child was much worse today. Dr. J. S. Richards said he had no hope of its recovery and we laid the matter before the Lord.

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Our babe has made a little change for the better but is still in a critical position.

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The Doctor says our child was a living miracle and I know she is.

Thursday, Oct. 19, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, George Teasdale, Abraham H. Cannon and myself met in Council and had Prayers.

The Directors of the [Mexican] Colonization Co. met and passed upon the reports of McDonald & Eyring and endorsed their recommendations. M. Thatcher, B. Young, Geo. Teasdale and H. Eyring were chosen a committee to pass upon character of Title to go to the Colonists.

Friday, Oct. 20, 1893 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and six of the Twelve met in Council and adopted what had been done by the Colonization Board. We also met with A. F. McDonald and approved of his action in regard to Garcia lands. B. Young, M. Thatcher, Geo. Teasdale, A. F. McDonald, and H. Eyring to also pass upon those Lands.

Saturday, Oct. 21, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The Republican Convention met this evening and put in nomination men for the Legislature.

Tuesday, Oct. 24, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Our daughter is mending slowly.

Friday, Nov. 3, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in setting apart some Eleven Elders for Missions to various parts of the world.

I went to the exposition building in the evening and spoke at a political meeting.

Saturday, Nov. 4, 1893 - Salt Lake City

L. G. Hardy and I met Hyrum S. Woolley and talked over the Cattle matter and he put in my hands three notes signed by one Davis for security to people he was owing. They were two for \$10,000.00 each and one for \$5,000.00 with endorsements on the latter of \$1,500.00.

Sunday, Nov. 5, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day at home helping my wife take care of the baby.

Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I returned home [from Provo] and for the first time since 1882 voted in Utah and I voted the Republican Ticket straight.

Wednesday, Nov. 8, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The Citizens have carried most of the City Government.

A majority of the Legislature is reported to be Republican. Men of that party are correspondingly happy and our Democratic friends are somewhat depressed.

Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I got second Endowments today for my Brother George. I met with the Directors of Z.C.M.I. and the Grant Coop. Co. James Jack put into my hands \$50.00.

[Went to Manassa for conference and visit, November 17-22.]

Thursday, Nov. 23, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The Groesbeck Co. is in trouble. I met at the Temple with Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, H. J. Grant, Abraham H. Cannon. We had prayers and attended to some business.

Friday, Nov. 24, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I was busy most of the day over the Groesbeck Co. affairs. Some of the members of Cannon Grant and Co. met and talked over their business.

Saturday, Nov. 25, 1893 - Salt Lake City

O. J. Salisbury planted suit against the Groesbeck Co. today.

Monday, Nov. 27, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the Groesbeck Co. most of the day. In company with O. J. Salisbury, Willey Brown, J. F. Lynch, S. H. Hill, H. M. Wells, G. M. Cannon, Mr. James and Mr. Thomas and Judge C. W. Bennett

and one other gentleman we met and talked over the situation of the Liberal party.

Tuesday, Nov. 28, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I have been under the weather all day. I went as a witness to Commissioner Ritchie's Court in a case against N. H. and Hyrum Groesbeck.

Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1893 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon and Jos. F. Smith, L. Snow, F. D. Richards, H. J. Grant, Abraham H. Cannon and I met at the Temple. We decided that the form of baptism in the [Doctrine and] Covenants should be followed. We decided that the word Principles should be added in the fourth verse of the Articles of faith.

The Railroad and Power business were talked over.

Thursday, Nov. 30, 1893 - Salt Lake City [Thanksgiving]

I was at the Wasatch building most of the day. We had no Turkey but ate chicken.

Friday, Dec. 1, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The affairs of the Groesbeck Co. were up for consideration today at the office.

Saturday, Dec. 2, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The case of the Groesbeck Co. came up in the District Court and put over until Saturday of the 8th. I got ready to leave for Flagstaff, Cocanino Co., Arizona, taking with me \$3,500.00 to pay taxes on the Kaibab Ranch.

[Went to Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico on church business, December 3-12.]

Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I found all well at home except Elsie, who had chicken pox. C. S. Zane, C. W. Bennett, A. L. Thomas, C. C. Goodwin, Myself and Others Telegraphed to Thos. Reid to push statehood.

Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The following Telegram was sent today.

Senator Cullom
Washington, D. C.

We Republicans endorse Statehood for Utah. Church domination and polygamy dead issues here. Liberal party disbanded last night and passed resolution favoring statehood.

C. W. Bennett
C. S. Zane
A. L. Thomas

Arthur Pratt
C. C. Goodwin
O. J. Salisbury
S. J. Kenyon
P. H. Lannan
J. H. Smith

The Republicans held primary meeting tonight. I was elected a Delegate from the 2nd Precinct.

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I was at the President's Office most of the day.

The Republican Convention met in the Theatre this evening. I was made Temporary Chairman and talked to the convention for 15 minutes. W. H. Nelson was made permanent Chairman. I could have been nominated by acclamation for the Legislature but declined. Several other gentlemen also declined. C. S. Varian was nominated.

Thursday, Dec. 21, 1893 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and appointed a Committee to call on Mr. O. J. Salisbury and consult him in regard to the election of Directors.

Monday, Dec. 25, 1893 - Manassa

We had a few things for the children and the day was spent pleasantly.

Friday, Dec. 29, 1893 - Salt Lake City

I was in Council all day with Prest. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon and Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, A. H. Cannon. We had a talk over the general financial situation & the affairs of L. G. Hardy. H. J. Grant and [I] were appointed a committee to aid him.

Saturday, Dec. 30, 1893 - Salt Lake City

H. J. Grant and I made calls upon several parties and got but little satisfaction.

My wife went to Ogden tonight.

Sunday, Dec. 31, 1893 - Ogden

I went to Ogden today and preached at 2 p.m. We ate dinner at John Gay's.

We became peacemakers between Enoch and Mary Farr. We stoped overnight at Enoch's home.

My affairs at this writing are in bad fix. I owe much money and am paying no interest on it. Times are hard. Many people are without the

necessities of life. My heart bleeds for my Kind. Confidence seems lacking in the breast of men everywhere in the world.

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1894 - Salt Lake City

With others I spoke to a Republican meeting at the old Federal Court room. H. J. Grant and I are making slow progress in the matters we have in hand.

Saturday, Jan. 6, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Br. H. J. Grant and I have been visiting people in regard to the L. G. Hardy matter, but our reception is a cold one.

Sunday, Jan. 7, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Most of the members of the Legislature are in the City. I spent part of the day with some of them.

Monday, Jan. 8, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The stockholders of the Groesbeck Co. elected the following board of Directors: John Morgan, G. J. Marsh, A. W. Carlson, Hyrum Groesbeck, H. J. Groesbeck, Joseph Groesbeck and myself.

I was elected President.

Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I met with the presidency and talked over the situation. Bro. H. J. Grant and I continued our labors but accomplished but little.

Thursday, Jan. 11, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Wilford Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, A. H. Cannon and myself met in Council and talked over a Railroad building scheme. The Supreme Court of Utah entered a decree today returning to the Church 439 thousand dollars.

Monday, Jan. 15, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I paid Josephine's Taxes today. The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met today. They passed their quarterly dividend.

Tuesday, Jan. 16, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Wilford Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, A. H. Cannon, James Jack, Nephi Clayton, Geo. F. Gibbs, H. B. Clawson and I met in Council and voted to build a road to Coalville.

2:30 p.m. Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, A. H. Cannon, S. B. Young, John Morgan, Geo. Reynolds, B. H. Roberts, Rulon S. Wells and I met in Council at the Temple and talked over the matter of relieving old men from working in the Quorums. It was decided not to interfere with them.

Wednesday, Jan. 17, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, A. H. Cannon and myself met at the Temple. We spent the forenoon reading the history of the Twelve.

All of the Presidency and Bro. M. Thatcher joined us and we broke bread together and drank wine.

I was chosen to go to Mexico today.

Thursday, Jan. 18, 1894 - Salt Lake City

H. J. Grant and I was busy about L. G. Hardys business and Parsons Ranch business.

H. M. Teller, U.S. Senator from Colorado sent a letter of Introduction to me of Mr. J. T. Jenkins.

Tuesday, Jan. 23, 1894 - Salt Lake City

H. J. Grant and I finished up the L. G. Hardy matter today, his friends putting up thirty thousand dollars to save him, he having in some manner lost that amount of the public funds.

Wednesday, Jan. 24, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I got one hundred dollars and a railroad ticket to Espanola and return from Jas. Jack. This evening I was subpoenaed as A Witness in a Goldberg Morgan case for the 26th. I cannot Emagine what it is for.

Thursday, Jan. 25, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I took train for Colorado. At Provo I met my brother C. W. Smith and put Six dollars into his hands to pay my Utah Co. Taxes.

Saturday, Feb. 3, 1894 - Deming, New Mexico

Bro. Ephraim Beck and Wife and William Fraser reached here about noon and I am to return with them.

I bot a gun to take with me into Mexico. Paid \$20.00.

Sunday, Feb. 4, 1894 - Deming, New Mexico

I paid my bill to Sister Brown, bot some supplies amounting in all to ten dollars. At 2 p.m. we left Deming and drove out 17 miles and camped for the night. I slept on the ground.

Tuesday, Feb. 6, 1894 - Boca Grande River, Chihuahua, Mexico

For the first time I slept on Mexican soil. We started late, our animals having strayed away, but we reachead Diaz about 6 o'clock. I passed a very unhappy day from a severe headache. We put up with a Bro. David Wilson.

Friday, Feb. 9, 1894 - En route to Juarez

We drove to Colonia Juarez, going by way of Casa Grandes. I put up with Elder Geo. Teasdale.

The country through which we have passed is covered with grass. Many Cattle roam the plains. Silver mining is carried on in the Mountains. Bros. Teasdale and Henry Eyring spent the afternoon together.

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1894 - Colonia Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico

Making calls all day. I took supper with Bro. Henry Eyring. I received letters from both of my wives and wrote to them both.

Friday, Feb. 16, 1894 - Corralis Basin, Chihuahua, Mexico

It is snowing and blustery this morning.

The Saints here have built a long stockade around their meeting house, so as to have a place to flee to in case of trouble with the Indians. We advised them to dig a well in the enclosure, so as to be in good shape for defense.

Saturday, Feb. 17, 1894 - Cavea Valley, Mexico

I sealed Robert Elijah Vance and Mary Williams. Bro. Geo. Teasdale sealed James Franklin Carroll and Mary Bell Black. Also David Paten Black and Theda Kartchner. This was done at the home of councillor C. B. Heaton.

Thursday, Feb. 22, 1894 - Colonia Juarez

The day was spent in writing letters to all of my children and to my wives. Bp. Wm. D. Johnson came in and read a lot of Telegrams and letters in regard to the Railway and land affairs of John W. Young which show that matters are very much complicated, as Judge Crosby of El Paso Texas has attached all of John W. Young's land claims, including a claim of the Church for 19,000 acres of land.

Tuesday, Feb. 27, 1894 - Colonia Juarez

We were seven hours in Council and our brethren who had been very much angered against each other were moved to tears by the spirit of the Lord as it rested upon B. Young and themselves and all consented to forgive each other and be friends in the future.

In the evening, B. Young, Geo. Teasdale, A. F. McDonald, Henry Eyring and myself met in Council and over the Colonization Co.'s affairs. Bro. Henry Eyring was instructed to write in regard to registration of our lands to our lawyer in the City of Mexico, also as to our rights in water.

Bro. B. Young received a letter from the Presidency of the Church to go to the Gila River settlement and adjust some troubles there and Bro. Geo. Teasdale and I were to go with him.

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1894 - Colonia Juarez

Bro. B. Young, Geo. Teasdale, A. F. McDonald, Henry Eyring and I met in Council and had under advisement the matters of interest to the Co. and people. The letter to our lawyer in the City of Mexico was read and agreed to. The values of land were also considered.

We met in the evening and Fixed the price upon city lots at from \$2.50 to \$10.00 and farm land from \$2.00 to \$5.00, other lands at from 35 cents to \$1.00 per acre. We also decided to let the Government have 900 poles for a Telegraph line, they to cut them off from the land.

Saturday, March 10, 1894 - Oaxaca, Sonora, Mexico

Brigham Young, George Teasdale, Wm. R. R. Stowell, G. W. Seavey and myself met with the brethren and talked over the land matter. We voted to remain and build up a settlement. We agreed to organize a ward.

[Visited other settlements, holding meetings, sometimes camping out at night, returning to Manassa on March 24.]

Saturday, March 24, 1894 - Manassa

My wife is in poor health and has been for some time. The children were well.

Friday, March 30, Salt Lake City

I spent the day at home. I paid Zions Savings bank \$150.00.

Monday, April 2, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Some of the Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and talked over the business situation. Heber M. Wells was elected Treasurer.

We went to the Theatre in the evening.

Tuesday, April 3, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, Abraham H. Cannon and I met in Council at the Temple at 10 a.m. All of us spoke.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow is 80 years old today. We presented him with a gold Pencil and pen and a basket of flowers. Our day was one of the most agreeable.

I paid the Deseret Bank \$100.00 and Water tax \$17.00.

Thursday, April 5, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and members of the Quorum of 12 met at 10 a.m. Prest. W. Woodruff announced the Doctrine of adoption to be that the members of families should connect their line just as far as possible and then join the whole to the Prophet. Wives in the church can have ordinances performed for their dead husband who were not in the church and be sealed to such husband.

We had a most happy day, all present endorsing this Doctrine.

We partook of the sacrament. It was a most joyous day.

Sunday, April 8, 1894 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

Presidents Geo. Cannon and W. Woodruff occupied the entire day. On the subject of adoption.

Wednesday, April 11, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Brigham Young, George Teasdale and myself met with Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon and Jos. F. Smith and reported our labors in Mexico. The Mexican mission is a permanent one. Our people are to become citizens. Lands are to be deeded to the people. I am to go to Mexico.

Thursday, April 12, 1894 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, A. H. Cannon and myself met in Council.

A circular to the saints was read but laid over for a day in the future.

Saturday, April 14, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I was busy most of the day with the brethren considering the various problems of home Industry.

Wednesday, April 18, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The Grant Bros. Livery Stable board of Directors met and considered the Question of the sale of their premises to the C. W. & M. Co. It was finally agreed we would sell the south part instead of the north that they had made an offer for. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon went East this morning.

Thursday, April 19, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, Geo. Teasdale, Abraham H. Cannon and myself met in Council. G. F. Gibbs was also present.

Prest. W. Woodruff said at one time Prest. Joseph Smith said in the Kirtland Temple many years the saints will go to the Rocky Mountains and settle there.

The Directors of the C. W. & M. Co. met and decided to take the south part of the Livery Stable and pay \$30,000.00 in our Capitol stock.

Thursday, April 26, 1894 - Salt Lake City

A consultation was held with two gentlemen owning the sulphur mines—Millard Co. in regard to building a Railroad south.

[Went to California, Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado on church and business matters, May 2-June 1.]

Saturday, May 12, 1894 - Thatcher, Arizona [stake conference]

I spent the forenoon trying to make peace between Bros. Layton and Merrill and failed.

Thursday, May 17, 1894 - El Paso, Texas

I visited Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico and visited the old church and took a look at the Monument erected on the Plaza to President Benito Juarez. I came near getting into bad company today. A well dressed gentleman accosted me by saying I am a stranger here and can't understand a word these people say and want to look about the city. I said that is my fix. I am from Iowa le[t]s walk this way said the stranger. All right said I. We went a short distance and turned a corner and found ourselves right in front of a saloon. He said less have a drink of Mu[s]cal or tecelo. I said no thank you I don't drink but will wait here for you. He stepped inside and a moment later another party stepped in and they began throwing dice for the drinks. The one who lost wanted to get me to change five dollars for him but I told him no I had no money. At this moment it dawned on me they were bunco men. I stepped inside of the door and asked the woman at the bar if these men who had just stepped outside were bunco stealers and she said they were. I parted company with that outfit and returned to El Paso.

Friday, May 18, 1894 - El Paso

Bro. Henry Eyring came in this morning. We went [to] Ciudad Juarez and called upon Judge Gandara and the Haifa Politico, Mr. Haccura. Our mission was to record The Articles of incorporation of The M[exican]. C[olonization]. & A[gricultural]. Co. We had some conversation with the parties and went to see the Collector. We again called on the Haifa Politico and learned from him we had no evidence of Authority to do anything for the Company. The day passed without anything being accomplished. We return[ed] to El Paso.

Saturday, May 19, 1894 - El Paso

We spent the whole day and all to no purpose really, although we had interviews [with] the Haifa and Judge and the[n] later decided I would have to [have] a power of Attorney signed by the Prest. and Secretary of the M. C. & A. Co., countersigned by the judge of Coneja Co., by the Secretary of State for Colorado, by the Mexican Consul at Denver and by the Mexican Minister. We bumed about most of the day, and we returned to El Paso. We called upon the Mexican Consul.

Sunday, May 20, 1894 - El Paso

We spent most of the day at the Hotel Pearson. We fell in Co. by accident with Judge Gandara and he kindly told us just what course to pursue and gave us the name of a Notary who he could recommend.

Monday, May 21, 1894 - El Paso

We called upon Attorney Saijas and he agreed to draw up our papers.

We deposited with the Kettlesen and Degitan \$1,000.00 Mexican dollars.

Tuesday, May 22, 1894 - El Paso

Bro. H. Eyring and I went over to Ciudad Juarez and got our powers of attorney and paid \$18.00. We returned to El Paso and at 11:40 a.m. I took train for Santa Fe.

Wednesday, June 13, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I returned home [from Idaho] and found all well. I found notice of an overdue note. I returned to F. J. Cannon his note for \$6,300.00 and mortgage on land at Deseret.

Saturday, June 16, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I had an interview with Judge C. S. Zane over the political situation.

Sunday, June 17, 1894 - Honeyville, Box Elder County

President Rudger Clawson and his councilors. Madsen and Charles Kelley joined us here and we met with the Saints at 10 a.m.

The Bishop of the Ward has been suspended by the Presidency of the Stake and the sacrament withheld from the Saints on account of devision and strife.

Prest. R. Clawson, H. J. Grant and I talked during the morning hour. We had a conference with the Presidency and talked over the situation and read the record of the High Council in the Lorenzo Hunsaker case.

At 2 p.m. we got the Priesthood of the Ward together and made an effort at reconciliation, but we failed to reach any satisfactory result. At 3:30 p.m. all of the Saints met. Bros. Madsen, C. Kelly, Myself and Bro. H. J. Grant spoke on forgiveness and in casting aside our prejudice. A very good spirit was present with us.

The Priesthood met again at 7:30 p.m. and all finally agreed to forgive each other and put themselves in a position to take of the Sacrament. We tried to agree upon who should be Bishop but failed. We adjourned and will have to return.

Monday, June 18, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Bro. H. J. Grant and I returned to Salt Lake City. We had an interview with Prest. W. Woodruff & G. Q. Cannon on this matter at Honeyville.

Wednesday, June 20, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I paid to Mr. E. W. Tatlock \$500.00 on the principal of a \$2,000.00 note and \$100.00 interest.

Thursday, June 21, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, and Jos. F. Smith, Elders Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, A. H. Cannon and myself met in Council at the Temple.

The Honeyville matter was talked over and no conclusions were reached.

Monday, July 2, 1894 - Manassa

The Stockholders of the Mexican C. & A. Co. met at 9 a.m. and elected the following board of Directors: Geo. Teasdale, A. F. McDonald, L. M. Petersen, A. R. Smith, L. P. Helm, T. A. Crowther, and John Henry Smith.

Tuesday, July 3, 1894 - Manassa

The following Directors having qualified met: L. M. Petersen, A. R. Smith, L. B. Helm, T. A. Crowther, & John Henry Smith. The M. C. & A. board organized with John Henry Smith, President, A. R. Smith, Vice President, S. S. Smith Sr. Secretary, H. Eyring Ass. Secretary, L. M. Petersen, Treasurer.

Resolutions were passed providing for sale of property. The Issuance of powers of attorney to J. H. Smith, Geo. Teasdale, H. Eyring, & D. W. Ap. Jones.

I mailed to D. W. Ap. Jones the Powers of Attorney for himself and Bro. Geo. Teasdale, & H. Eyring. The people surprised me tonight.

Friday, July 6, 1894 - Manassa

Many of the Railways are tied up by strikes.

Monday, July 9, 1894 - Manassa

Blood has been spilled at several places and Millions of property has been destroyed at Chicago. Said Joseph the Prophet, you will have mobings to your hearts content. Are his words being fulfilled?⁵

Thursday, July 19, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Presidency and L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant & A. H. Cannon in the Temple. We agreed to favor Statehood and all present voted for it.

Friday, July 20, 1894 - Salt Lake City

H. J. Grant and I got after the Presidency and L. Snow, F. D. Richards, B. Young, & A. H. Cannon in regard to the Livery Stable business and they voted to aid us.

⁵ John Henry is probably referring to the bloody Pullman strike in Chicago in July 1894.

I met with C. Crane and C. W. Bennett and talked over the Political situation.

I paid Dr. O. C. Ormsby \$8.00, S. J. Kenyon \$3.85, Coop. F. Co. \$5.00. I sent Josephine \$10.00. I gave Sarah \$5.00.

Tuesday, July 24, 1894 - Salt Lake City

We spent the day at Saltair [resort]. Many people were over their. The day was a peaceful and happy one.

Friday, July 27, 1894 - Ogden

Sarah and I went to Ogden. Lorin Farr is 74 years old. Some 91 persons met at his residence and chatted and feasted. We had a very nice time.

Monday, July 30, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Cannon Grant & Co. met and talked over the companies affairs and made up their minds to try and secure some of Grant Bros. Livery Co. property.

Wednesday, Aug. 1, 1894 - Logan

At 9 a.m. the people from all over the Valley formed in line and marched and counter marched up Main street and then went to the Grove on the Tabernacle block. The gathering was the largest ever seen in Logan.

The Non Partisan celebration of Statehood passed off very pleasantly.⁶

I went up to Preston to see John Morgan. He has Typhoid fever and is a very sick man.

Friday, Aug. 3, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The Directors and some of the stockholders of Grant Bros. Livery Co. agreed upon a basis of settlement of the Co. affairs.

Saturday, Aug. 4, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I returned to the city [from Ogden] and the Directors of Grant Bros. Livery Co. fixed up the basis of the Co. and assigned the property to the various creditors.

[Went to Price, Utah, for stake conference, August 5-6, and on to Manassa, returning August 16.]

Monday, Aug. 13, 1894 - Manassa

We met the Presidency & Bishopric and talked over their troubles.

⁶Statehood was not yet a reality; they were celebrating passage of the Enabling Act by Congress July 16, 1894.

Tuesday, Aug. 14 - Manassa

We had the Presidency and Bishopric together again this morning but they failed to hitch and Elder B. Young dismissed them and he left for Durango.

Wednesday, Aug. 15, 1894 - Manassa

I got Bros. A. R. Smith and John Dalton together and they agreed to become friends and work in harmony.

Saturday, Aug. 18, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The funeral of Elder John Morgan took place at the Assembly hall at 12 noon. . . . A tattered battle flag rested on his coffin.

We carried him to the cemetery and left him in the dead house.

Sunday, Aug. 19, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Sister Annie Morgan and three children arrived from Colorado.

The family and some friends went to the cemetery and laid John Morgan in his grave. Matt. Cowley offered the Dedicatory prayer. The Temple Quartett sang t[w]o Hymns.

Tuesday, Aug. 21, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the City today. Hyrum Groesbeck and I saw most of the holders of stock in the Groesbeck Co. and arranged with the[m] to take their principle less ten percent and give us back our stock now held by them.

Thursday, Aug. 23, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Hyrum Groesbeck and I have been working at the loan all day. I was at the temple a short time in the morning and spoke to the people.

Saturday, Aug. 25, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Hyrum Groesbeck signed an aplication for a loan today for \$150,000.00 for five years.

[Went to Colorado, visiting in Manassa and attending the Irrigation Congress in Denver. Returned September 9.]

Monday, Sept. 10, 1894 - Provo

Sarah and I went to Provo and attended the Republican Territorial Convention. Frank J. Cannon received the nomination of the party for Delegate to Congress.

Friday, Sept. 14, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of Z.C.M.I. Business seems to be looking up a little.

[Went to Idaho for church meetings, September 15-19.]

Sunday, Sept. 16, 1894 - Albion, Idaho [stake conference]

At a Priesthood meeting in the evening I spoke on the Saints being Conservative in politics and avoiding any wild schemes and not to blacklist their old time political enemies.

Thursday, Sept. 20, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I have failed to secure a loan for the Groesbeck Co.

Friday, Sept. 21, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The Grant Bros. Livery Co. are going to go out of business and a new company will be formed.

Monday, Sept. 24, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I was looking after my affairs and in the evening attended the Republican Primary and was made chairman of the meeting. 16 Delegates were elected to the Precinct Convention. I was one of them.

Wednesday, Sept. 26, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Wasatch [Building] part of the day. Hyrum Groesbeck and I made an effort to get a loan but failed. I was nominated for a Delegate to the Constitutional Convention by the Republicans.

Thursday, Sept. 27, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff is quite sick with a cold. I had a visit with Gen. J. S. Clarkson of Des Moines, Iowa on Monday last. He told me that Jas. G. Blaine was the man who put in motion the machinery looking to giving of statehood to Utah. He quietly worked with Clarkson and others to this end. He said Leland Stanford, M. M. Estee, H. M. Teller and others, including Col. Isaac Trumbo began moulding public opinion.

Monday, Oct. 1, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Cannon Grant & Co. find themselves in a close corner financially.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The Territorial Fair was opened by prayer by myself at 2 p.m. today. Gov. Caleb W. West made the opening speech and J. R. Winder declared the fair open. There was music by the band. It is said to be the finest fair ever held in the Territory.

The Territorial Militia was out in force. One Artilleryman got his leg broken today by the horses running away.

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 1894 - Salt Lake City

All of the Council of the Apostles met today except Bro. A. H. Lund and we had a happy time together until noon.

Thursday, Oct. 4, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The Council of the Apostles met fasting, all present but A. H. Lund.

Presidents Geo. Q. Cannon & Jos. F. Smith met with us and we partook of the sacrament together and had a most glorious time.

[General conference held October 5-7.]

Friday, Oct. 12, 1894 - Salt Lake City

We set apart about 20 Elders for missions this afternoon in the Temple. Republican Primary meetings were held in all of the Bishops' wards of this City. I was at the City 17 ward and was elected a delegate to the Constitutional Convention.

Thursday, Oct. 18, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Cannon, Grant & Co. met and talked over their affairs, which are in a bad shape and look as if they might go to the wall.

Friday, Oct. 19, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Grant Bros. Livery Co. board of Directors met and agreed to turn the property over to pay their bills. My son Nicholas is quite sick. Judge C. S. Zane, Hon. F. J. Cannon and myself spoke at the Theatre. The place was full. Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon and J. F. Smith were present.

Wednesday, Oct. 24, 1894 - Logan

I went to Cache Valley and in company with Prest. Orson Smith we went to Hyde Park and held meetings. We had a good turn out but *they* were cold.

Thursday, Oct. 25, 1894 - Logan

Prest. Orson Smith and I went to Millville and attended a Political meeting. J. E. Booth, F. J. Cannon, Orson Smith, and I spoke.

Orson Smith and I spoke on Politics at Hyrum.

Saturday, Oct. 27, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I returned to Salt Lake City and went on to Lehi and a political meeting. W. Glasmann, Judge Saxey and myself spoke.

Tuesday, Nov. 6, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The election passed off[f] pleasantly. A regular land slide has occurred all over the nation.

I went to the polls and voted the straight Republican ticket.

Wednesday, Nov. 7, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The internal interests are saved. The flag again floats for the American people. F. J. Cannon is elected to Congress. My precinct has gone Republican. I am elected a delegate to the Constitutional Convention.

Saturday, Nov. 10, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The results of the election all over the nation is a marvel. The dis-

satisfied element endangers the stability of our government and the sudden changes of opinion are the rumblings of trouble to come.

Monday, Nov. 12, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The Republicans celebrated their victory today by a Barbecue and a procession in the evening. I rode in the procession. I gave a half of a beef to the Barbecue.

Tuesday, Nov. 13, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I am glad the whole business is now over so I can get at my own legitimate work.

[Attended Trans-Mississippi Congress in St. Louis, November 26-30.]

Wednesday, Dec. 5, 1894 - Denver

I called upon Mr. Councillor and he said he had but recently sent the papers to Mr. Petersen. I had a nice visit with Gov. Waite at the Capitol building.

I called to see Garcia about Mexican Consul's endorsement of papers for M. C. & A. Co. but he said the[y] had not been endorsed by him.

Monday, Dec. 17, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed \$500.00 at the State Bank today and gave six shares of Z.C.M.I. stock. I was at the Groesbeck offices part of the day. The Kanab Coop. Land Directors met and talked over their business affairs.

I was elected a Delegate to the Constitutional Convention on Nov. 6. The Utah Commission are trying to count me out.⁷

Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I asked for a writ of mandate to estop the Utah Commission from opening the Balot boxes. [See entries for Feb. 26 and 28, 1895.]

I went to the Methodist church and spoke at a meeting in which some effort could be made or put on fast to redeem fallen women.

Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I went to the rooms of the Utah Commission and they determined to delay the count of the vote.

⁷The Utah Commission found evidence of possible ballot-stuffing in John Henry's precinct and wanted to examine the ballot boxes for a private recount. Learning that Republicans may have helped him win the election fraudulently, John Henry acquired, through his attorney, an injunction against the commission on grounds that the boxes had not been properly maintained and therefore could have been tampered with by anyone during and after the election. The commission decided not to certify the election. At the convention, John Henry was not only seated but elected president. Accounts of this controversy were carried in Salt Lake City newspapers during December 1894 through February 1895. The Utah Commission report for 1895 includes a summary of the case in Minute Book G, 340-41, Utah State Archives.

Monday, Dec. 24, 1894 - Salt Lake City

It is very cold. I made no purchases for Christmas. Grass to[o] short.

Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1894 - Salt Lake City

Cold. All of my family are in good health. The day was spent at home.

George, my son, and I visited a poor man at Lincoln house and gave him \$2.50.

Friday, Dec. 28, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The City & County building just finished today was dedicated, Prest. W. Woodruff making the opening prayer. Mayor R. W. Baskin and a number of other gentlemen spoke.

I am working at my case.

Saturday, Dec. 29, 1894 - Salt Lake City

The Herald of yesterday made a very untruthfull assault upon me. I pronounced it a falsehood in the Tribune.⁸

Monday, Dec. 31, 1894 - Salt Lake City

I had a visit today from U.S. Senator Shupe of Idaho. We talked over the political situation in his state. Senator Shupe, C. S. Zane, P. H. Lannan, C. C. Goodwin, S. H. Hill, W. F. Jones, O. J. Salisbury, Geo. M. Cannon, Lane Colboth and myself met and talked the matter of getting rid of the Utah Commission. My sons Nicholas and Joseph were hurt riding down the hill and are quite lame.

Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I went to the office and drew \$100.00 order. I paid Sarah \$25.00, Josephine \$10.00, Dr. Jos. H. Richards \$15, Sandberg \$2.00 & one in cash.

I paid interest on note \$175 at Zions Savings Bank.

My boys Nicholas and Joseph are mending slowly. I told C. Crane today that I was a candidate for Prest. of the Constitutional Convention.

Saturday, Jan. 5, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I was in court all day. From the condition of matters it looks for all the world as if my friends G. W. Thatcher and Geo. E. Blair was in this fraud but I cannot believe it. Their must be a vailed hand in these things not yet seen.

⁸ The newspaper article in question accused the Republicans of not really wanting statehood.

Monday, Jan. 7, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Ellection cases are still before the Court. Much evedence has been aduced to show where the fault lies.

Tuesday, Jan. 8, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I was in Court during the forenoon. The Directors of the Home Fire met.

Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I met with C. W. Bennett, J. E. Dooley, O. J. Salisbury, S. H. Hill, H. M. Wells and others and started a collection to pay Ellection Case Expenses. I paid \$5.00.

Thursday, Jan. 10, 1895 - Salt Lake City

My case in court was adjourned until tomorrow morning.

Presidents L. Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, Abraham H. Cannon and I met in Council.

M. W. Merrill had a discourse read that purported to be one delivered by Bro. Moses in Bear Lake Co. Idaho where Bro. Moses was said to have cast reflections upon the Presidency of the whole church and Bro. Merrill.⁹ Some letters that he passed between Bros. Thatcher and Merrill were read. Bro. Moses said he did not make the statement in the form in which it was. Bros. Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and I thought Bro. Moses ought to write and correct this matter as also Bro. Merrill.

Bros. Moses Thatcher, John W. Taylor and Abraham H. Cannon thought he ought not. Bro. Abraham H. Cannon said the Presidency of the Church were predjudced against Bro. M. Thatcher. Bro. Moses being in such poor health he was given one week to write out his denial of the statement. We adjourned for one week.

Friday, Jan. 11, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Judge Barch decided the San Pete Cases today but mine was put over until Feb. 4 at 10 a.m.

Saturday, Jan. 12, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I paid C. W. Tatlock Interest on note \$75.00. I was sick most of the day. H. J. Grant is inclined to believe that he and his brother B. F. Grant has made a rich find of gold in San Louis Valley, Colo.

⁹According to Francis M. Lyman's diary for January 10, 1895, Moses Thatcher was quoted in the press as having said, "Over in Cash Vall[e]y a prominent man an Apostle, got on the stand and said the Presidency of the Church wanted the people to vote a certain way. He was tried for it and had to confess his wrong. The eyes of all Isreal were on that case."

Monday, Jan. 14, 1895 - Salt Lake City

A stockholders meeting of the Groesbeck Co. was held at 10 a.m. at the Company's office. Last year's reports submitted and approved.

O. J. Salisbury, Sam J. Kenyon, Hyrum Groesbeck, Geo. J. Marsh, C.W. Carlson, Steven Hays and I were elected Directors. I was made President; C. W. Carlson, Vice President; Sam J. Kenyon, Secretary & Treasurer; Hyrum Groesbeck, Manager.

Compensation was voted of fifty dollars a year to the President, of Thirty dollars a month to the Secretary and Treasurer; one hundred dollars per month to the Manager and \$5.00 a meeting to the Directors. We agreed to a loan of \$85,000.00 and the Prest & Secretary are to sign the notes.

Thursday, Jan. 17, 1895 - Salt Lake City.

At 11 a.m. Lorenzo Snow, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, M. W. Merrill, Abraham H. Cannon and Myself met in Counsel. Bro. Moses Thatcher read his letter to be sent to the Bear Lake Post and it was approved by the brethren.

I was summoned to go before the canvassing board to protect against their going into the ballot Boxes. They accepted services.

Friday, Jan. 18, 1895 - Salt Lake City

We learned yesterday that the Commission fully intended to issue Certificates of Ellection to all delegates to the Constitutional Convention, but from the third precinct, that some strong Democrat was trying to keep me out of the Convention.

Saturday, Jan. 19, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Canvassing board for this County are working on the third precinct and I spent part of the day at the Commission rooms. The result of the examination of the returns show me elected [but] a discrepansay arises as between McCune and A. H. Raleigh.

Sunday, Jan. 20, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon at Home. Jas. Hall and I spoke at the Tabernacle in the afternoon. I met at the Temple with my prayer Circle.

My wives and I went to the Theatre and heard Miss Phoebe Cousins lecture on Women of the Revolution and daughters of the Cavaliers. I introduced her to the audience.

Tuesday, Jan. 22, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I was busy looking into the Election matter.

Wednesday, Jan. 23, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I was looking the matter of evidence up in the Third precinct cases.

Thursday, Jan. 24, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, M. W. Merrill, Abraham H. Cannon, and Myself met in Council at the Temple. It was unanimously determined that Bishops should be ordained as well as set apart.

[Went to Wasatch stake conference in Heber City, January 25-27.]

Sunday, Jan. 27, 1895 - Heber City

The Presidency of the stake and their wives and I went to Midway ward. We dedicated their new meeting house 35 x 60, 22 feet high, cost about \$6,000.00 I offered the prayer. Several of the brethren spoke and I among the number. We went over and back in a sleigh.

Tuesday, Jan. 29, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I called upon C. W. Bennett [and] Judge Miner and was at the Groesbeck office part of the day.

Sarah is quite sick today. Josephine and I had a sleigh ride.

Thursday, Jan. 31, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, F. M. Lyman, M. W. Merrill, and Myself attended the Council in the Temple at 11 a.m.

The question of allowing men to marry other than their plural wives under the law when the first wife dies came up and it was determined to advise against it.

Josephine and I went to the Theatre to see James & Warde.

Friday, Feb. 1, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I was looking after my election matters. I got \$100.00 in orders & twenty five in cash. Sarah and I went to the Theatre to see the Passport.

Saturday, Feb. 2, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The election cases were being argued in the Supreme Court before Judges Merrett, H. W. Smith, Wm. H. King. Judge Merrett forbade Attorney John M. Zane to speak in the election cases. I was in Court part of the day.

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day at the office and part writing letters. Josephine is in bad health.

Thursday, Feb. 14, 1895 Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, Abraham

H. Cannon and Myself met at the Temple and had prayers. We talked over the financial condition of the Church.

Sunday, Feb. 17, 1895 - Richfield [stake conference]

Prest. Jos. F. Smith and U. H. Segmiller were the speakers during the morning hour. Two meetings were held in the afternoon. Jesse W. Crosby and prest. Jos. F. Smith spoke at one meeting. Theodore Brandley, Bp. Bell, W. H. Clark and I were the speakers. At the evening meeting Prest. Jos. F. Smith and I was the speakers. A good feeling prevailed all day and there was a large attendance.

Monday, Feb. 18, 1895 - Richfield [stake conference]

During the Morning hour The Presbyterian minister and Bro. H. S. Har[r]is and I spoke on apostacy and establishment of the Kingdom. Their are 6,319 Saints in this stake.

Thursday, Feb. 21, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Cannon and Myself with Geo. F. Gibbs met in Council. We had prayer. The question of the character and operation of the Holy Ghost was taken up, the matter being brought forward by Prest. G. Q. Cannon over a sermon of Prest. J. F. Smith on that subject.

No decision being reached by the Council, although several spoke.

Members of the old Grant Bros. Livery board met and signed some notes. I signed one, \$1,600.00 in favor of Mrs. Fox.

Saturday, Feb. 23, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Supreme Court handed down a decision in the Election cases that sustained in part Judge Bartch's decision.

Monday, Feb. 25, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I was hanging about the court all day. At 7:30 this evening my case came up.

Tuesday, Feb. 26, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Judge Bartch decided against the writ of (mandate) mandamus which virtually beats me in my contest, as the Commission can now enter the Boxes and we are satisfied they are stuffed. . . . All of the judges testified the count at the polls was correct.

E. E. Rich was the man, aided by Rob Solon who evidently did the Job. My attorney will offer some more evidence and will likely withdraw the case.

Wednesday, Feb. 27, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Court convened at 10 a.m. My case came on and the day was spent

in taking testimony. Parley L. Williams and O. W. Powers spoke for the Utah Commission, Judge Hiles against.

Thursday, Feb. 28, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Court met at 10 a.m. The Court presented his opinion, deciding that the Commission could not go into the ballot Boxes to obtain the results of the election in the 3rd precinct as the boxes were discredited, not having been kept according to law.

I met with my Quorum at the Temple and had prayers.

At 2 p.m. several of us met with the Utah Commission at their building. J. Letcher, G. W. Thatcher, Hoyt Sherman, E. W. Tatlock present. The Commission decided they could do nothing. Judge C. W. Bennett proposed to withdraw the case so as not to block the road and relieve the Commission of their embarasments but they refused to act.

Friday, March 1, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Their has been no change in the view of the Commission. Prest. Wilford Woodruff is 88 years old today. About four hundred friends assembled, and speaches and singing were the order of the day.

Saturday, March 2, 1895 - Salt Lake City

No new developments in the political situation.

The Republican Caucass met this evening and agreed upon a temporary Organization. R. MacKintosh was in the chair. 57 delegates was in attendance.

Kimball of Ogden is to [be] temporary President of the Convention. I received a letter from Willis Sweet on the Idaho situation. He asked my help but I don't see what I can do for him.

Monday, March 4, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Constitutional Convention was called to order at 12 noon by Delegate Chas. Crane of Millard Co. Prest. W. Woodruff being sick, Geo. Q. Cannon opened with prayer. Gov. C. W. West made an address of Welcome.

Secretary C. C. Richards read the list of members holding certificates. Their were 102. The members from the Third Precinct not being [on] it.

Chief S. A. Merrett administered the oath of Office. Mr. Kimball was made Prest. Protem, H. M. Wells Secretary.

The Convention appointed a committee on Credentials. Adjournment took place until tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. I filled my credentials with that Committee.

The Republicans met in Council and talked over the situation.

Tuesday, March 5, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Judges C. W. Bennett & Miner and myself and others met the Committee on Credentials and filled our Papers in the Third Precinct Cases. They said they had no power to act but would report and ask for instruction.

It went to the Convention and after a motion to send the committee back had been discussed by a aye & no vote 61 for, 42 against, 4 not voting. Total 107.

It went to the Committee and they unanimously voted to report in our favor as there was no contest.

Andrew Kimball, Geo. R. Emery, A. H. Raleigh were sworn in. A Committee on Committees was appointed by the chair and adjournment was taken until 10:30 tomorrow.

Wednesday, March 6, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Convention met at 10:30 a.m. Col. Squires nominated me for President; it was carried almost unanimously. Some friends gave me a nice gavel, presented by Col. E. W. Tatlock. I made a speech to the convention.

Tuesday, March 12, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Convention convened at 2 p.m. Rev. Clarence Brown offered prayer. . . . the session was an animated one.

Wednesday, March 13, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met at 10 a.m. We had the loan agents before us. We adjourned until Thursday.

The Convention were Photographed on the steps of the East entrance to the City and County building.

Thursday, March 14, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met at 10 a.m. and decided to only borrow seventy-five thousand dollars. S. Hays and C. W. Carlson were appointed to negotiate.

Friday, March 15, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met and heard the Annual Statement of the Secretary and also the Monthly report.

2 p.m. the Convention met and had a rather stormy session.

Tuesday, March 19, 1895 - Salt Lake City

2 p.m. the Convention met and went through the regular order.

I[n] correcting the minutes . . . L. L. Coray made a very uncalled for motion in regard to Hon. M. Thatcher's letter which awakened some hurt feelings on the Democratic side.

The Republican Caucus met and considered the Preamble and Bill of Rights.

Thursday, March 21, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and decided to borrow \$85,000.00.

2 p.m. I called the Constitutional Convention to order. We went through the Regular order of business. On motion of Col. Geo. B. Squires to the chair, The Committee took under consideration the Bill of Right[s] and got to the 10[th] sect.

At 4 p.m. I met with the Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co.

Sarah, Josephine and I spent the evening at Cousin Joseph F. Smith's.

Friday, March 22, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Sam J. Kenyon as Secretary and I as President signed notes to the tune of \$85,000.00 dollars today for the Groesbeck Co. to the Providence Loan & Trust Co., J. J. Snyder, agent.

I called the Constitutional Convention to order at 2 p.m. After the regular Order we went into the Committee of the Whole until 6 p.m. Section 10 was fully discussed and Evans substitute adopted.

Saturday, March 23, 1895 - Salt Lake City

President W. Woodruff told me this morning that he wanted me to take my [second?] family away from here.

Sunday, March 24, 1895 - Salt Lake City

If I can raise the means, Josephine will leave here in a few days for Manassa.

Monday, March 25, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Constitutional Convention met at 2 p.m. After the regular order we went into the Committee of the Whole, David Evans in the chair. Some headway was made on the Bill of rights. The time for meeting was fixed at 10 a.m. for regular meetings.

Tuesday, March 26, 1895 - Salt Lake City

We got though the bill of rights and took up Education. 6 p.m. adjourned.

Wednesday, March 27, 1895 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. the Suffrage came up and was made a special order for tomorrow.

Thursday, March 28, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Suffrage matter came up and held the floor all day. B. H.

Roberts, S. R. Thurman, Chidester, Anderson, F. S. Richards, Geo. M. Cannon spoke on the matter.

Friday, March 29, 1895 - Salt Lake City

B. H. Roberts and A. C. Lund spoke against equal suffrage. C. S. Varian, C. C. Goodwin, J. R. Murdock in favor of it.

Saturday, March 30, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The entire day was taken at the Constitutional Convention in talking on the suffrage.

Monday, April 1, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Report of the Election and Suffrage Committee was under consideration most of the day, and many speeches were made.

Josephine and the children went home to Colorado.

Tuesday, April 2, 1895 - Salt Lake City

B. H. Roberts closed the debate on the suffrage question in Committee of the Whole.

Wednesday, April 3, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Preamble and Bill of rights were passed. The Article on Executive was taken up in Committee of the Whole.

I forwarded to Colorado today two boxes of household goods.

Weight 750 pounds, freight prepaid \$24.38.

Thursday, April 4, 1895 - Salt Lake City

My son George is 25 years old today. I married Josephine 18 years ago today.

The Convention is in session and have been considering Equal suffrage.¹⁰

Friday, April 5, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The General Conference convened today.

I was at the Constitutional Convention all day.

I spoke a few minutes at the Priesthood meeting in the evening.

Sunday, April 7, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I attended Conference today although considerably under the weather.

¹⁰The most controversial and divisive issue at the Constitutional Convention was the matter of women's suffrage. See Jean Bickmore White, "Woman's Place is in the Constitution: The Struggle for Equal Rights in Utah in 1895," *Utah Historical Quarterly* 42 (Fall 1974): 344-69.

Monday, April 8, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The suffrage matter was under consideration most of the day.

I was subpoenaed today to appear in court tomorrow.

Thursday, April 11, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I paid the county \$13.27 to redeem property in block 104 for J.G.S.
The Convention was in session during the day.

Friday, April 12, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I was in the chair. The Legislative Article was discussed all day.

Saturday, April 13, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Legislative Article was taken up again.

I met with the Directors of H. J. Grant & Co, also the Directors of the K[anab] herd Co. Most of the members of the Convention went to Logan this afternoon.

Monday, April 15, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Legislative Article was passed its third reading with Varian's amendment.

The Executive Article was taken up in Committee of the whole and passed.

Thursday, April 18, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Today was an interesting one at the Constitutional Convention. Equal Suffrage was passed by a vote 69 to 32.

Good headway was made by passing the Executive and Taxation Articles.

Friday, April 19, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Public debt was considered and passed.

The Irrigation Article was passed and Education considered in Committee of the Whole.

Saturday, April 20, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Almost the entire day was spent in the Committee of the Whole at the Constitutional Convention considering the Article on Education, but little headway was made.

Tuesday, April 23, 1895 - Salt Lake City

At the Constitutional Convention today, the Articles on Education and Judiciary were under consideration in the Committee of the Whole.

Wednesday, April 24, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent at the Constitutional convention in considering prohibition, Mines & Mining and Private incorporations.

Thursday, April 25, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Judiciary Article was passed.

I did not attend my Quorum meeting today.

Friday, April 26, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The articles on Mines and Mining & Prohibition were killed.

P. H. Lannan and O. W. Powers called upon Presidents W. Woodruff, Jos. F. Smith and F. D. Richards, B. Young, M. Thatcher, Geo. Teasdale, A. H. Cannon and Myself about opening the Tabernacle for the National Conventions and We agreed to open it.

Wednesday, May 1, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Constitutional Convention had a lively day of it. The Article on sc[h]edule and future amendments was up for consideration and a Section against polygamy was passed.

Thursday, May 2, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I was part of the day with my Quorum and the ballance at the Constitutional Convention.

A reception was held at the Templeton Hotel for the Delegates to the Constitutional Convention.

Saturday, May 4, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent by the Constitutional Convention in reading over the Constitution.

Sunday, May 5, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I wrote to Nickey and Josephine and sent a fifty-dollar G.T.[O.] order.

Monday, May 6, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Constitutional Convention met at 10 a.m. and finished reading the Constitution and adopted it.

The members went to Saltair in the afternoon and to a ball in the Market in the evening.

Wednesday, May 8, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Constitutional Convention met at 9 a.m. Prayer by Lorin Farr. The Constitution was read and adopted. Ninety nine votes for it, Eight being absent. The convention closed at 2:15 p.m., A. H. Raleigh offering the benediction.

Saturday, May 11, 1895 - Coalville

Heber J. Grant and I went to Coalville. The train was delayed so we did not reach there until about 1 p.m. At the conference at 2 p.m. two of the Ward bishops reported and Bro. H. J. Grant spoke one hour.

William Hodson preferred a charge against Prest. W. W. Cluff wife and daughter May. He charged them with vilifying, slandering, and Black-mailing him and causing serious injury to his wife. We tried to get the brethren to talk over and arrange matters but they failed.

Sunday, May 12, 1895 - Coalville

We got the High Council together and tried to get Bro. William Hodson to reconcile his matter but he did not try.

Monday, May 13, 1895 - Coalville

The high Council met at 8:30 a.m. and were in session until 9:50 p.m. It was unanimously decided that Wm. Hodson had failed to make a case. President W. W. Cluff and family were exonerated and Bro. Hodson was required to ask forgiveness. He was also required to secure the Relief Society debt.

Tuesday, May 14, 1895 - Salt Lake City

We reached home and I attended the Woman's meeting and heard Miss Susan B. Anthony and Miss Shaw speak.

The Republican Leagues meeting was held this evening at the Grand Theatre. Shafroth of Colo., Bartine of this City, and Borah of Idaho spoke to the Club meeting on Silver.

Wednesday, May 15, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I had a visit with Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon today. He assured me that he was a Republican in Politics. That he had not as yet determined whether he would try to make himself a U.S. Senator or not. If he could be of use to the Saints he would.

Wednesday, May 22, 1895 - Manassa

I went with S. S. Smith Jr. to Antonito and Conejas. Josephine went up with Mrs. Morgan. We bot

Bed Suit	25.00
Lounge	15.00
4 Chairs	3.50
1 Center Table	2.85
1 Lamp	.50
Oatmeal	1.00
Paid Taxes	13.75
Recording Deed	1.40
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	\$63.33
Nicky Clothes	13.50
S. S. Smith Stove	10.00
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Total	86.83

I paid S. S. Smith Jr.	1.50
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Thursday, May 23, 1895 - Manassa

We set up our furniture and it looks first rate.

Monday, June 3, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Groesbeck Co. and we talked over the renting of our property to a Mr. John W. Young of Chicago for a hotel. S. J. Kenyon and myself were appointed by the board to draw up the lease.

Tuesday, June 4, 1895 - Salt Lake City

All of the Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and further considered the renting business and the financial standing of Mr. Young and it was felt he was all right. Our suits was talked over and it was agreed by Geo. Marsh and O. J. Salisbury to protect the Company.

I went to Provo. S. S. Jones, C. W. Smith and I had a talk over the matter of C. W. Smith's financial condition.

Wednesday, June 5, 1895 - Provo and Salt Lake City

S. S. Jones, C. W. Smith and I met this morning and Jones let Charles W. have a wagon on time and I gave him an order on Spanish Fork Coop for a harness.

I returned to the city and received a reminder from Zions Saving Bank that I owed them something.

Thursday, June 6, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Abraham H. Cannon, and I met at the Temple and had prayers and talked over some business matters. Nathan Tanner, Jr. had written an insulting letter to the first Presidency of the Church. It was agreed that the matter should be refered to the Bishop of his ward to pass upon and if he did not make reperation to be delt with for his fellowship.

Friday, June 7, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Sam J. Kenyon and I signed lease of the two upper floors of the Wasatch building with two thirds of the Cellar, the hallway and two rooms and a woman's entrance to the Elevator for ten years. The annex was included. Brigham H. Roberts and I set apart eight Elders for missions and four sisters who are paying visits to the old country.

Wednesday, June 12, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Temple today going through [as a proxy] for Samuel Shorey. My mother, H. M. L. Smith also went through. My Daughter Sarah Ann Smith got her Endowments today. Lorinda Ann Smith, daughter of S. S. Smith, Jr. was sealed to my brother Geo. A. Smith, I as proxy for

George and Aunt B. W. B. Smith for the girl. Miss Robey was also sealed to my father, Geo. A. Smith. The proxies were the same. Mother and I had four couples of our kindred sealed.

Friday, June 14, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I had a long conference today with Willey Brown over the political situation. He gave me several pointers about Col. Trumbo's moves.

Saturday, June 15, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Judge C. W. Bennett and I had a long talk over his candidacy for the Senate and what his prospects were. The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met at 12 noon and read reports.

Thursday, June 20, 1895 - Manassa

The Stockholders of the Mexican C. & A. Co. met and elected a board of Directors as follows: John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, A. R. Smith, Levi P. Helm, L. M. Petersen, Thos. E. Crowther & A. F. McDonald.

The Directors met and elected John Henry Smith President, Geo. Teasdale Vice President & Manager, Henry Eyring ass. Sect., S. S. Smith Sect., L. M. Petersen Treasurer. The Directors present qualified. I paid in to the Treasury \$40.00 received from Jas. Jack.

Friday, June 21, 1895 - Manassa

I spent the entire day watering my lots and making dams.

Wednesday, June 26, 1895 - Salt Lake City

At 4 p.m. today about 150 persons, nearly all relatives, met at the 17th [ward] meeting house in honor of Geo. A. Smith's 78th birthday. Some exercises were rendered and speeches made. Refreshments were passed around. We had a good time. Letters were received from many relations expressing regrets that they could not come.

Tuesday, July 2, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I received from the Home Fire Insurance Co. a check for \$90.00 and paid the amount on Interest to the Saving bank.

Wednesday, July 3, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I paid Dr. J. S. Richards \$8.00 in full to date of his bills.

Saturday, July 6, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Several Republican ladies met at Mrs. E. B. Wells rooms with Chairman C. Crane and they talked over the organization of the Ladies in clubs.

Monday, July 8, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I got from James Jack \$75.00 and paid to C. W. Tatlock in interest.

Tuesday, July 9, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I got an order for \$25.00 on G.T.O. for Mrs. H. M. Morgan.

Thursday, July 11, 1895 - Pleasant Grove

The old people went on an Excursion to Pleasant Grove. Eighteen carloads of people went [from] Salt Lake Co., about 1,400 souls. About 1,570 more souls joined them from Utah Co. I went with Bathsheba W. Smith. We had a splendid dinner and some good singing. C. R. Savage, Geo. Goddard, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, Bp. Thorne and John Brown and myself spoke a few minutes.

It snowed upon the mountains today. The rain passed over Pleasant Grove to the Mountain sides. The oldest person present was 96 years old.

Friday, July 12, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Young M[en's]. & L[adies']. M[utual]. I[mprovement]. association spent the day at Saltair and had a most agreeable time. The day was cloudy but did not rain much. My wife Sarah and George A. & wife, Don C. & wife, Esther E. Chase, Sarah A., Winslow F., Nathaniel L., Nancy C. Tirzah P. & Elsie L. went out and spent the day.

Saturday, July 13, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I called at the county building and looked into the tax matter.

Monday, July 15, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I called at the City Hall and had a chat with A. F. Doremus and also saw the board of equalization about an over assessment.

[Went to Colorado for visit, July 24-29.]

Sunday, July 28, 1895 - Manassa

It is ward conference today. I spoke twice and gave the people a scoring for their failure to pay fast offerings.

Wednesday, July 31, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I went to President W. Woodruff[s] office to call upon the brethren and found all of the Presidency, Elder F. D. Richards & Wife Jane, and Emily, his daughter-in-law, Zina D. H. Young, B. W. Smith, and M. I. Horne. By the instructions given to the Sisters I was fully justified in the Counsel I had given them. They were told that they ought not to have gone into active partisan politics but as they have done so they must continue in the field for the present at least.

Thursday, Aug. 1, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I met with Jos. A. Smith and P. P. Christensen and read the second engrossed copy of the Constitution.

Friday, Aug. 2, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I got \$100.00 cash from J. Jack. I paid interest on \$7,000.00 note at Wells Fargo & Co., \$157.00.

Tuesday, Aug. 6, 1895 - Salt Lake City

During the morning hour I met President G. Q. Cannon and talked over the J. Morgan family condition. It was agreed and Bro. J. Jack instructed accordingly to let H. M. Morgan have \$25 per month until otherwise ordered. I advised Mrs. Nellie M. Bunt to leave the City if she was going to lead a fast life.

Thursday, Aug. 8, 1895 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, M. W. Merrill, Heber J. Grant, Abraham H. Cannon and myself met in Council. At 11 a.m. Prests. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith and Geo. F. Gibbs joined.

It was unanimously decided to Release Elder Geo. Teasdale in Mexico and to make A. W. Ivins of St. George President of the Mexican Mission. I went with my wife, Sarah F. Smith, and Mrs. Edna L. Smith to Draperville where we had a crowded house and organized a club.

[Went to Emery County for conferences, August 9-13.]

Tuesday, Aug. 13, 1895 - Price

We took a drive to Price and had a nice dinner at Bp. Geo. Frantzen[s]. We took a drive around the little town and noted the setting out of trees, the grading of the streets, and the number of good homes. They are now building a town hall.

Thursday, Aug. 15, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, Abraham H. Cannon, and myself met at the Temple and had prayer. The question of the organization of high Councils was talked over.

Other matters were considered.

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met at 1 p.m. and went through the reports of the month. Business seems to be improving a little.

Friday, Aug. 16, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Heber J. Grant, Abraham H. Cannon, Francis M. Lyman, Wm. B. Preston, Robert J. Burton, John R. Winder, and myself met in Council. The question of releaving President A. O. Smoot Estate of the [Brigham Young] Academy debt was taken up and a committee consisting of Bp. Wm. B. Preston, John Clark, Chas. S. Burton,

and Reed Smoot was chosen to consider the means of doing the business was agreed on.

It was also voted to save Pipe Spring Ranch if possible.

Mrs. C. E. Allen, John M. Zane and myself spoke at the 9th ward hall on Republican doctrine. We had a good attendance.

Saturday, Aug. 24, 1895 - Salt Lake City and

Scipio, Millard County

Heber J. Grant, C. D. Fjeldsted and [I] took train for Juab. We were met by Bro. Thompson of Juab and driven in two hours and three quarters to Scipio. We put up at Daniel Thompson[s].

Sunday, Aug. 25, 1895 - Scipio [stake conference]

I spoke upon purity and H. J. Grant spoke on the same subject. A good spirit prevailed during the day and the large attendance filled the hall.

Wednesday, Aug. 28, 1895 - Circleville, Piute County

Prest. J. W. Crosby drove H. J. Grant and me to Circleville. F. M. Lyman and Abram Hatch joined us here. We tried a trouble between Bp. James E. Petersen and Daniel S. Gillis. The latter had made charges against the Bp. He failed to sustain them. We held two meetings and tried to reconcile the people, as they had taken sides on the matter.

Thursday, Aug. 29, 1895 - Junction, Piute County

Councilor M. M. Steele let Bro. H. J. Grant and me have his buggy and horses which we drove to Panguitch. We all put up with J. W. Crosby Jr.

Friday, Aug. 30, 1895 - Panguitch, Garfield County

Prest. J. W. Crosby having preferred a charge against M. M. Steel, Allan Miller, Joseph Cameron, John Houston and W. P. Sargent for defamation of character, it was decided that Abram Hatch, Heber J. Grant, F. M. Lyman, and I hear the case. The day was mostly spent in listening to reports and statements.

Saturday, Aug. 31, 1895 - Panguitch

The forenoon was spent in taking testimony in the Crosby, Steel, et al case. We decided J. W. Crosby did not sustain his charge. We went into the store matter and determined some errors in judgement had arisen, both in the Superintendent and Directors. \$321.05 was all that we could not account for, but it was in our opinion due to the efforts and sacrifices made to meet debts and cash payments. The mill company consented to pay Bro. Chas. Kempe \$425.00 in full for the Panguitch Roller Mill Co. Work.

Sunday, Sept. 1, 1895 - Panguitch

Abram Hatch, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, M. M. Steel, David

Cameron, J. W. Crosby and myself held converse over the situation and Bro. J. W. Crosby said he would pitch in and work, looking after the people in preference to his business interests.

Monday, Sept. 2, 1895 - Panguitch

Conference convened at 10 a.m. Heber J. Grant, F. M. Lyman, and myself were the speakers. We all dwelt upon the troubles of the people and as to our belief in the honesty and integrity of Prest. J. W. Crosby. The attendance at the conference was fair.

Wednesday, Sept. 4, 1895 - Milford, Beaver County

We made our way home.

We were gone 12 days, held 15 meetings. We rode on the train 280 miles and 220 miles in a wagon.

Wednesday, Sept. 11, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I took train for Manassa at 8:05 a.m. I put five dollars into E. Chase Smiths hand to fix the fence. The sum of fifteen was given to Sarah A. to pay her school bill. I put \$20 into Sarahs hand to pay sundry little bills.

[Attended Irrigation Congress in Albuquerque, New Mexico, September 16-19, returning by way of Manassa.]

Monday September 30, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Moses Thatcher, Heber J. Grant, Henry Dinwoodey, George Romney, John R. Barnes, John R. Winder, T. G. Weber, A. W. Carlson, F. D. Richards, L. John Nuttall, F. S. Richards as Attorney and myself met at president W. Woodruff's office and took steps to reincorporate Z.C.M.I. for fifty years.

Moses Thatcher presided. He is in most delicate health.

Tuesday, Oct. 1, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Marriner W. Merrill, and Abraham H. Cannon of the Council of the Apostles met in their room in the Temple at 10 a.m. Prayer by Geo. Teasdale. Prest. Lorenzo Snow spoke against the taking of animal life and the eating of meats. F. D. Richards endorsed Bro. L. Snow's views, as did B. Young, M. Thatcher, F. M. Lyman and Myself, we being all that spoke today. Bro. M. Thatcher explained his condition. Our meeting was a most interesting one.

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 1895 - Salt Lake City

We organized the Z.C.M.I. board for the incorporation. At 2 p.m. the following members of the Council of the Apostles met in the Temple: Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, Francis

M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, George Teasdale, Marriner W. Merrill, Heber J. Grant and Abraham H. Cannon.

Bros. G. Teasdale, H. J. Grant, and M. W. Merrill spoke to us upon the matters of their labors and Bro. Merrill gave us an account of dreams and visions given to him, also a marvelous escape from death being rescued by an unseen hand when a large log had rolled upon him and he was unable to help himself. He lost himself and when he came to, his wagon was loaded and he was on it riding home and fully one mile from where the accident had occurred. John W. Taylor joined us today.

Friday, Oct. 4, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The general Conference of the Church convened at 10 a.m. All of the Presidency and all of the Twelve but A. H. Lund were present.

Sunday, Oct. 6, 1895 - Salt Lake City

President Wilford Woodruff spoke for 54 minutes with much power, warning the saints to do their duty and giving most excellent advise.

Prest. Jos. F. Smith gave a strong talk on supporting our home industries. He said the non Mormon people were more loyal to the principal than the saints.

Monday, Oct. 7, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Priesthood met at 10 a.m.

Temple work was spoken upon by Lorenzo Snow, M. W. Merrill, David H. Cannon, and Prest. W. Woodruff and F. D. Richards. Prest. Jos. F. Smith said there was at least one of the apostles and one of the Presidents of the seventies not in harmony with the Presidency and Twelve, and the Presidency by their silence endorsed his statement. President Geo. Q. Cannon [said] he would not have dared to have said what J. F. Smith had said but it was true. H. J. Grant also bore testimony. I told H. J. Grant I would join in the mining scheme.

Wednesday, Oct. 9, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I went to Richmond, Cache Co. today with F. W. Schoenfeldt. We put up with M. W. Merrill. We both talked at the political meeting.

[Held political meetings in several towns and cities in Cache County through October 14.]

Sunday, Oct. 13, 1895 - Logan and Salt Lake City

We returned home in the evening to find that Prest. Jos. F. Smith's speech at the Priesthood meeting had thrown the Democracy into Confusion.

Monday, Oct. 14, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I was busy looking after my own affairs during the day. The Democratic Executive committee met today so they say to issue a new declaration of independence.

Tuesday, Oct. 15, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met today and talked over the business. It was decided to let H. P. Richards, George Bourne, T. V. Williams, and H. W. Nesbit go as their services are no longer needed.

Wednesday, Oct. 16, 1895 - Sanpete County

A. C. Bishop, J. T. Hammond and myself held Political meetings at Milburn and Spring City, and we had a splendid time.

Thursday, Oct. 17, 1895 - Manti and Ephraim

We went to Manti and held a political meeting at 2 p.m. We went to Ephraim in the evening and held meeting. I was a rouser. Hammond and Bishop both spoke well.

Friday, Oct. 18, 1895 - Salina

I went to Salina, Sevier Co. and spoke. I put up with James Liddle. McCarty, Jennings and myself spoke in the school house to a large audience in the evening.

Saturday, Oct. 19, 1895 - Salina

Judge C. W. Bennett joined me here and we went to Springville and then were taken to Mapleton and we had a good time.

[Held other political meetings in Fountain Green, Gunnison, and Mayfield.]

Friday, Oct. 25, 1895 - Ogden

I went to Ogden City and talked at Thomas Hall in the evening. Their were two other speakers. I was not at all satisfied with my effort.

Saturday, Oct. 26, 1895 - Ogden

In company with Bp. D. McKay, Mr. Curtis, E. W. Allison and I went to Huntsville and had a rousing Republican Ralley. We returned to Ogden and in company with a Bro. Hunter, Geo. Hansen, F. J. Stevens I went to West Weber and we had a splendid meeting.

Monday, Oct. 28, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I paid Poll tax \$3.00. I paid for Josephine's property [?] tax \$31.50 and for myself \$24.00. I paid Cutler \$5.00 and for Spafford Library \$5.00. I paid to my brother C. W. Smith on potatoes \$5.00. I got dividend from Home Fire stock in Woolen goods \$31.50.

I went to Willard City and spoke at a Republican Rally. Some of our Democratic friends got quite angry at some mention of Judge Powers.

Wednesday, Oct. 30, 1895 - Brigham City

O. W. Powers was trying to get up a big noise at the City over my talk at Willard.

Thursday, Oct. 31, 1895 - Redmond, Sevier County

I went by train to Redmond, Sevier Co., and spoke at that place for over an hour. Gov. A. L. Thomas spoke at Salina.

Saturday, Nov. 2, 1895 - Elsinore, Sevier County

I spoke today at Monroe, Central, and twice in Richfield.

Monday, Nov. 4, 1895 - Provo

It snowed today. I went to Provo. Mayor L. Holbrook, Arthur Brown and I spoke in the opera house. There was a large attendance. The building was nicely decorated. The Goddess of Liberty and Utah was represented by young ladies. I paid my taxes here \$4.80.

Tuesday, Nov. 5, 1895 - Provo and Salt Lake City

I had an attack of lumbago while sitting at breakfast at my sister's [Grace Cheever].

I returned to Salt Lake City and went to the Polls and voted the Republican ticket straight for state, county, and city offices. I went home and went to bed. A daughter born to Josephine 20 minutes to 3 today.¹¹

Wednesday, Nov. 6, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Republican state ticket is without doubt elected. I laid in bed all day.

Thursday, Nov. 7, 1895 - Salt Lake City

F. M. Lyman called upon and blest me. I sat in my chair all day. H. J. Grant called upon me in the evening.

Friday, Nov. 8, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I am still confined to the house with a lame back.

I was reading most of the day.

The election has gone very largely in favor of the Republicans everywhere in the nation as well as in Utah. We have elected the state ticket complete.

Monday, Nov. 11, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I paid taxes on two pieces of my property and on two pieces of Josephine's.

I went down to Spanish Fork tonight. I got two overcoats, two suits each of underwear for little girls, 10 yds. flannel, myself a hat, Sarah a pair of shoes, and some small shoes and stockings.

¹¹ The Utah constitution passed 31,305 votes to 7,687.

Thursday, Nov. 14, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, B. Young, F. M. Lyman, J. W. Taylor, A. H. Cannon and myself met in Council at the Temple and talked over some matters concerning sealing and adoptions.

[Went to Afton, Wyoming, for stake conference and meetings, November 15-21.]

Friday, Nov. 22, 1895 - Salt Lake City

My son George Albert had a daughter born on the 19th. Mother getting along nicely. I mailed Josephine \$20.00 today.

Monday, Dec. 2, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Heber J. Grant, Abraham H. Cannon and myself met in Council.

We were informed by Prest. W. Woodruff that the Presidency of the Church had invested in the Ogden Power and Light Co. and that some twelve hundred dollars was necessary to put through the job. That the money could be borrowed if the Church would endorse the paper. We all voted to do this, but I explained the matter was not clear to me as to its wisdom, but that I would stand by the presidency.

Tuesday, Dec. 3, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the Presidency of the Church part of the day and the ballance of the day reading at home. The question of the employment of Union men and non-union men came up today for consideration.

[Went to Blackfoot, Idaho, for conference, December 8-9.]

Saturday, Dec. 7, 1895 - Pocatello, Idaho

Bro. Jos. F. Smith stoped here over night and I went back to Blackfoot, having rode 75 miles. We went to look at some land and found plenty of it. President Joseph F. Smith and I made up our minds to try and secure 320 acres of land each.

Tuesday, Dec. 10, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day at the president's office. I met with the Home Fire Directors. The evening was spent at my son George's. I endorsed the notes of the first Presidency for \$100,000. There were four notes.

Wednesday, Dec. 11, 1895 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of H. J. Grant & Co. met today and decided to take an interest in the gold mines.

Friday, Dec. 13, 1895 - Salt Lake City

My daughter Sarah and I left for Colorado.

Sunday, Dec. 15, 1895 - Manassa

I preached at the stake house this afternoon. We blest our baby girl and gave her the name of Arzella.

Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1895 - Manassa

My son Nicholas and Wm. Christiansen had trouble with their school teacher today and are suspended. M. Christiansen and I tried to adjust matters but failed.

Wednesday, Dec. 25, 1895 - Manassa

My children had a nice Christmas.

Monday, Dec. 30, 1895 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff told me that he would like Geo. Q. Cannon to go to the Senate.

Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1895 - Salt Lake City

I got \$150 from James Jack. I paid taxes \$427 today.

There is some excitement over the talk that Geo. Q. Cannon is a candidate for office.

Saturday, Jan. 4, 1896 - Salt Lake City

At 10:30 a.m. today, Washington time, President Grover Cleveland signed the statehood proclamation for Utah. The bells are ringing and whistles are blowing. I met many men and shook many hands and had a joyous day.

Monday, Jan. 6, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Today we celebrate Utah's admission into the Union. A parade and Exercises in the Tabernacle. Acting Governor Charles C. Richards conducted the Exercises in the Tabernacle. Music by the Camp Douglas band. Geo. Q. Cannon read a prayer for Prest. W. Woodruff. Choir sang the Star Spangled. Ex. Rep. J. R. Rawlins read President Grover Cleveland Proclamation and presented the pen used in signing the Enabling act.

The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice C. S. Zane to Gov. Heber M. Wells and other State Officers. The Governor read his Inaugural address. It was quite lengthy but will prove in the future a good state paper. Music by Pedersen's band. The Congregation joined with the choir and sang "America." Benediction by Dr. Iliff.

There was a grand inaugural ball at the Theatre. Hundreds were present. My wife Sarah and I were present.

Tuesday, Jan. 7, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I attended a gathering of gentlemen at the Knutsford. Gus Holmes invited me. G. Q. Cannon, C. W. Bennett, Arthur Brown, C. C. Goodwin, Col. I. Trumbo and many other leading men of all parties.

Thursday, Jan. 9, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I attended the meeting in the Annex of the temple and spoke some fifteen minutes. Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, Abraham H. Cannon and I met at our room in the Temple. Brigham Young, Franklin D. Richards each spoke upon many subjects.

John W. Taylor is to visit Moses Thatcher and talk over with him his condition or views on the question of insubordination in regard to running for office without an understanding with his brethren.

Friday, Jan. 10, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I attended the funeral of James C. Liddle at the First Presbyterian Church. Dr. Iliff spoke on the Resurrection.

John A. Groesbeck, Allen G. Campbell, Gov. A. L. Thomas, Presly Denny, Myself and a German were the Pall bearers. He was buried in Mount Olivet Cemetary. Political matters are warm. I received from Samuel Cooper \$33.00 rent for January. I visited both branches of the Legislature today.

Saturday, Jan. 11, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I held consultations today with Geo. Q. Cannon, F. J. Cannon each separately. Also with C. W. Bennett and Wiley Brown.

Monday, Jan. 13, 1896 - Salt Lake City

There is intense feeling over the question of United States Senators. Members of the Legislature are being importuned for their votes for political favorites.

Tuesday, Jan. 14, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Today Geo. Q. Cannon gave me a letter in which he declares that he is a Republican. He also published a card in which he says that he is not a Candidate for U.S. Senator.

The Republicans had a caucus tonight and Arthur Brown and F. J. Cannon were nominated for Congress as senators. My friend C. W. Bennett was beaten.

Wednesday, Jan. 15, 1896 - Salt Lake City

There is considerable excitement over the nominations last night and much feeling will be engendered over it.

Thursday, Jan. 16, 1896 - Salt Lake City

A large company spent the afternoon at President G. Q. Cannon. Fifty three sat down to dinner at one time. Among them W. Woodruff and Wife, Lorenzo Snow and Wife, F. D. Richards, B. Young & Wife, F. M. Lyman and Wife, Joseph F. Smith and 2 wives, A. H. Cannon & 3 wives, Jos. E. Taylor and Wife, C. W. Penrose and Wife, A. M. Cannon and Wife,

John Q. Cannon and Wife, Frank J. Cannon and wife, C. H. Wilken and many others.

Monday, Jan. 20, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day working for Arthur Brown. The story is out that Col. Isaac Trumbo is trying to buy his way into the U.S. Senate. I called upon Mr. A. Brown. I wrote to Senator F. E. Warren and C. D. Clark of Wyoming.

Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The Legislature balloted for U.S. Senator today. F. J. Cannon had 45 votes, Arthur Brown 43, Moses Thatcher and Jos. L. Rawlins each 19, C. W. Bennett and C. C. Goodwin 1 each.

Thursday, Jan. 23, 1896 - Salida and Manassa, Colorado

I had to walk from the crossing or ride on a load of wood. I rode part of the way. I found all well aside from colds.

Saturday, Jan. 25, 1896 - Manassa

I attended the Stake Priesthood today and spoke twice. Our meetings were without spirit. There is trouble here between S. S. Smith Jr. and a number of the residence of Manassa both members of the Church and nonmembers.

Sunday, Jan. 26, 1896 - Manassa

I attended Sunday School. I sealed Miss Emily C. Forbes to Henry Foster today at the home of the bride's mother.

Bp. John Dalton and Martin Christiansen told me they had made up their minds to resign and wanted to know what I thought of it. I told them I would take it under advisement until morning.

Monday, Jan. 27, 1896 - Manassa

Bp. John Dalton and Martin Christiansen called on me and said they had fully made up their minds to resign and I told them it was the best thing they could do in my opinion.

Monday, Feb. 3, 1896 - Park City

Prest. G. Q. Cannon and Brigham Young came over from Heber City this morning. We in company with Thomas Kearns, Bro. Allen and Rasbon paid a visit to the Silver King mine. We had dinner. We went down to the nine-hundred-foot level and visited various facets of the mine. We had a pleasant time.

Thursday, Feb. 6, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, John W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon, and myself met at our room at the Temple and had prayers. We

talked over the Manassa affair. The resignation of John Dalton and Councilors was accepted. I am to go and put in the new man.

Sunday, Feb. 16, 1896 - Manassa

Conference convened at 10 a.m. L. P. Helm, John Dalton, Bp. H. Funk and three branch presidents made reports of their labors and conditions of their wards and branches.

The High Council met and Geo. Irvin was chosen to fill the vacancy made by taking of Samuel Jackson for the Bishopric. At the 2 p.m. meeting the brethren of the Stake Authorities were sustained. A number did not vote and twelve voted against the president of the stake.

The Presidency of the stake and High Council agreed that Samuel Jackson would do Bishop and Hugh L. Sellars and Gen. J. Koch for Councilors. At the Priesthood meeting all of the brethren voted to honorably release the old Bishopric and to accept the new.

Monday, Feb. 17, 1896 - Manassa

We met with the people who were in trouble with the libel suits. The Presidency and High Council were present but nothing was accomplished in the matter of settlement.

Wednesday, Feb. 19, 1896 - Manassa

We, H. J. Grant, A. R. Smith, L. P. Helm, Thos. A. Crowther and myself agreed that Harmon Sowards be suspended until matters were adjusted. S. S. Smith Jr. was dropped from the High Council and he was required to stop his damage suits until after the criminal suits were disposed of.

I went to Alamosa. I had an interview with Judge Holbrook and Judge McDonald but I really did no good.

Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1896 - Salt Lake City

F. M. Lyman and I were weighed today and just weighed 248 pounds each. I had a tumor cut out of my back by Dr. Jos. F. Richards today.

I met with W. W. Riter, James Sharp, F. S. Richards, C. W. Penrose, F. M. Lyman, Frank Jennings, and Arthur Pratt and talked over the questions of the Fire and Police Commission and how the appointments should be made.

Monday, March 2, 1896 - Salt Lake City

John White is doing some painting for me. I can't do anything scarcely on account of my back.

Tuesday, March 3, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I bot \$50.00 in furniture, side board and nine chairs. Nicholas and I put down the carpet and set up the stove in the sitting room. We also hung up some pictures.

Wednesday, March 4, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Nicholas and I was about the house at work most of the day.

My son Don Carlos wife gave birth to a daughter about 10:20 p.m.

Thursday, March 5, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Some of the members of Cannon Grant and Co. held a meeting at 9 a.m. Their affairs are in a bad fix.

At 11 a.m. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, M. W. Merrill, J. W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon, G. F. Gibbs, S. B. Young, C. D. Fjeldsted, B. H. Roberts, J. Golden Kimball, Rulon S. Wells, Geo. Reynolds, Ed Stevenson and myself met at the Temple. The case of insubordination of B. H. Roberts was taken up, and he refusing to meet the wishes of the brethren it was decided to suspend him for three weeks, and if he did not then meet the requirement he [was] to be dropt from his calling.

I am not quite satisfied with our action in the Roberts matter.¹²

Friday, March 6, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Dr. Richards took the stiches out of my back today and says the wound is doing nicely.

Monday, March 9, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I received a letter from Josephine. She intends to leave on Wednesday [March] the 11th, 1896 for home.

Thursday, March 12, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, H. J. Grant, Abraham H. Cannon, G. F. Gibbs and myself met in Council at the Temple.

It was decided by vote the troubles that arise in a stake must go through the regular order before they can be brought before the Presidency and Twelve.

The Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. met. They raised the wages of the men in the Central department quite an amount.

I blest the daughter of my son Don Carlos today and we named her *Luci* [?].

Josephine and the children reached here tonight. All well.

Friday, March 13, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I closed up the case of Booth Lee and Gray against J. G. Smith by

¹²Against the wishes of church leaders, B. H. Roberts had run for Congress on the Democratic ticket in the election of 1895.

paying them thirty dollars. The case is to be dismissed from Court. I took their receipt in full. Bro. Moses Thatcher is reported quite poorly.

Josephine and the children seem to feel first rate.

Sunday, March 15, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at Josephine's reading the life of Shakespere.

Monday, March 16, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Moses Thatcher is some better today. H. J. Grant and I called upon him and administered to [blessed] him. My wife Sarah, who has been nursing Don Carlos' wife came home to stay tonight.

Thursday, March 19, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, H. J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon, Geo. F. Gibbs and I met in Council at the Temple.

The case of B. H. Roberts for insubordination was considered and we agreed to meet on Thursday next. He is to be required to humble himself and put himself in proper shape before the people.

The Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. met and decided to pay a dividend.

Saturday, March 21, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I had men at work both at Josephine's and Sarah[s] fixing up their homes. I went by train to Idaho.

Sunday, March 22, 1896 - Blackfoot, Idaho

After benediction the Priesthood assembled and agreed that it would be best to divide the Riverside Ward.

We took a secret vote to find out who had the confidence of the people and found the people were pretty well in harmony with the Stake presidency and myself.

Tuesday, March 24, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I returned to the City and found some of my children poorly. Tirzah Priscilla vomiting, Joseph H., Lucy and Bessie having the mumps, and Arzella with a bad cold.

Bp. Wm. Preston, John Tingey and I called upon Elder Moses Thatcher and administered to him. He is quite poorly.

Thursday, March 26, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Presidents Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon & Joseph F. Smith; Apostles Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, M. W. Merrill

& Abraham H. Cannon; Seventies Seymour B. Young, C. D. Fjeldsted, Brigham H. Roberts, Geo. Reynolds, J. Golden Kimball, Rulon S. Wells; and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs.

President Geo. Q. Cannon made the statement that as Bro. B. H. Roberts had not been in harmony with his brethren and that a feel of dissension had spread through the church on account of some of Bro. Roberts speeches. That all his brethren wanted of him was to show a broken heart and contrite spirit, which Bro. Roberts did. We took him into our fellowship. He with the others present shed tears of joy at the change in his spirit.

President G. Q. Cannon requested the Saints to quit exhibiting their dead in public.

I met with a committee to consider the Irrigation Case.

Friday, March 27, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at home reading Shakespere.

Sunday, March 29, 1896 - Salt Lake City

My son Glen got lost today and was gone for some time.

Monday, March 30, 1896 - Salt Lake City

It snowed like wrath today. Nickey cut down a large tree today. My son Don Carlos got one of his eyes badly hurt in knocking a Box to pieces.

Tuesday, March 31, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill and Abraham H. Cannon met in Counsel at the Temple. Lorenzo Snow. The Lord will bless you all. You will be required to do many things that will make you unpopular with both saint and sinner. Franklin D. Richards. Said let us seek to know Christ.

Brigham Young. Said I have been sorely tried for 48 hours but Bro. L. Snows word had comforted him.

F. M. Lyman. Said he loved the Society of the brethren. He read some remarks made by Prest. B. Young Millennial Star Vol. 17 page 156, also from March No. Juvenile Instructor an Editorial of Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon.

I spoke of the necessity of enlarged views among the people.

Geo. Teasdale said he had joy in the company of the brethren. Heber J. Grant told of his Bro. B. F. Grants conversion and spoke of his mining business. John W. Taylor spoke of his business and family troubles. Meeting adjourned until Wednesday at 10 a.m.

Wednesday, April 1, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I drew one hundred dollars in orders and cash. I paid to Zions Bank interest \$90.00, Coop. F. Co. \$10.00. I gave \$10.00 to Sarah and Josephine.

I sent five hundred [pounds?] of coal [to] Esther Smith and also some meat. I gave to Helen M. Morgan \$10.00 in orders a few days ago.

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill and Abraham H. Cannon met at the Temple.

Brigham Young spoke on the propriety of the Apostles knowing more of the various Missions in the United States. I endorse him. F. D. Richards said he knew nothing of the business of the missions only as to sending out the Elders. F. M. Lyman Endorsed B. Youngs idea and enlarged upon it. John W. Taylor also expressed much joy at the prospect of such an effort. Heber J. Grant was also pleased with it. Lorenzo Snow Felt that missionary work must be done everywhere. F. D. Richards Said in the past the people of the world had been frozen up against us but were now thawing out. Lets go to work and search for souls.

M. W. Merrill. Told of his ordination to the Priesthood. He predicted we would practice plural marriage again and our Nation endorse.

Lorenzo Snow. Told of letters written by a lady to England from Nauvoo, Ill. about Celestial Marriage.

He said that Joseph Smith the Prophet taught him the Doctrine of plural marriage April 15, 1843.

Abraham H. Cannon said he fully beleived in the devinity of plural marriage and during all of the troubles of the past had lived in turns with his wives.

Lorenzo Snow. Felt it would be wise to see the judges and soften their feeling about pluralists. John Henry Smith said he would do his best.

F. M. Lyman said he was willing any day to go to any part of the world. All present voted they were ready to do the same.

Some conversation was had in regard to a visit to Bro. Moses Thatcher but we failed to agree. We adjourned until tomorrow at 11 a.m.

A large company was entertained at the residence of John Beck. A meal in Harmony with hygenic principals was served By Sister Hannah Sorensen's Class in Hygene. Some 21 kinds of food was placed on the tables. Over a hundred guests present.

Thursday, April 2, 1896 - Salt Lake City

At 11 a.m. The Presidency and 12 met in their room of the Temple. Present Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill and Abraham H. Cannon. Secretary G. F. Gibbs also present. The Sacrament was administered.

determined to have all of the funds of the Church placed in the hands of the Trustee in Trust instead of those of the Presiding bishopric.

[t] was also decided to cease the payment of all salaries to ecclesiastical officers. This motion was also made by Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon. I attended the primary meeting of the Republican party and was elected a delegate to the state convention.

I feel that we will find ourselves much plagued with our action to-day at some time in the future.

Saturday, April 4, 1896 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

I met some brethren at the noon hour who told me an Anti Polygamy law had been passed the day before by the House of Representatives of the State Legislature and that it was now in the Senate. I put in my time trying to head it off. I talked with E. M. Allison and Geo. Sutherland and put as many parties to work on Senators as I thought prudent.

Sunday, April 5, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The funeral of Lucy Brown Smith took place at 10 a.m. Prayer by J. Beattie. Jesse M., Jos. F. Smith and myself spoke. Benediction by Bp. John Tingey. A. R. Smith dedicated the grave

The conference was largely attended and an overflow meeting held.

The Presidency and 12 met and considered a manifesto on the political situation to guide the ecclesiastical authorities in accepting office.

W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young present, as also F. M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill & Abraham H. Cannon. It was agreed to by all present.

Monday, April 6, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The manifesto agreed to last evening was signed by all of the Presidency, ten of the twelve, The Patriarch of the Church, the Seven Presidents of the Seventies & the Presiding Bishopric.

Moses Thatcher refused to sign it.¹³

The Manifesto of the Church was adopted by a full vote of the Conference.

¹³This became known as the Political Manifesto. It declared that every leading official of the church should apply to the proper authorities before accepting any position, "political or otherwise," to see whether such position could be accepted consistently with his church obligations. It also denied that this indicated a desire to dictate to any official concerning their duties as American citizens or "to interfere with the affairs of the state." It was widely regarded as being aimed at Moses Thatcher and B. H. Roberts, who were active Democrats, while leaving John Henry and others free to engage in Republican politics.

I[n] the sustaining of the general authorities the name of Moses Thatcher was left out.

Tuesday, April 7, 1896 - Salt Lake City

At the Priesthood meeting today. It was voted not to pay any official of the Church a salary in the future.

The Republican Convention met at the Grand Opera house today. F. J. Cannon, Arthur Brown, C. E. Allen, Isaac Trumbo, W. S. McCornick and Thos. Kearns were elected Deligates to the St. Louis Convention. The evening was spent at Josephines.

Friday, April 10, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I went to Ogden as a witness in Court before Judge Hart in the case of Stratford and Flygare. I returned to Salt Lake City and attended a meeting of H. J. Grant and Co. I spent the evening at J[osephine's].

Sunday, April 12, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I spent about two hours with Moses Thatcher. He talked quite freely to me over the action in his case. Early in the evening he was in much pain but later was easy.

Tuesday, April 14, 1896 - Salt Lake City

J. W. Kerr was at the President's office during the morning hour talking over the Critchlow letter and his connection, if any, therewith.¹⁴

Wednesday, April 15, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met at noon. The reports for March were read. The business seems to be doing nicely.

Thursday, April 16, 1896 - Salt Lake City

At 11 a.m. I met with the Presidency and Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, John W. Taylor, and A. H. Cannon & Geo. Gibbs in the apostles room in the temple. The matter of aiding Cannon Grant & Co. was taken and passed up, all agreeing that the Church should carry the Load.

I have been talking to a man by the name of Cardwell about going into the mining business in Bingham.

Friday, April 17, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Some Elders were set apart today for Mission. My wife Sarah and I went up to Geo. Chase's and took dinner, the occasion being the [posthu-

¹⁴E. B. Critchlow, a prominent non-Mormon state senator and a Republican, wrote a long letter published in the *Salt Lake Tribune* on April 12. He charged that a special church committee created by the First Presidency to study and monitor legislation before the state legislature was in fact trying to control legislative action by giving "advice" and "counsel" to Mormon legislators, sometimes following up with threats of discipline.

mous] sealing of Julia May Farr to David Chase, both being dead. We had a pleasant time.

Sunday, April 19, 1896 - Grouse Creek, Box Elder County

We met at the [ward] Priesthood meeting at 7 p.m. We stated to the people that the object of the meeting was to select a Bishop. We took a secret ballot and D. H. Toyn had the most votes. His name was presented and after some explanations had been made all sustained him.

Thursday, April 23, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, Myself, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill and Abraham H. Cannon met at the Temple and had prayer. Prest. Jos. F. Smith[’s] sermon on the [Political] Manifesto at Provo came up for consideration but no decision was reached, only opinions expressed. I feel Bro. Jos. F. construction of the Manifesto cuts to[o] deep and will cause trouble for our people everywhere. The Question of putting up monuments to our martyred brethren on the Temple block was discussed but not passed upon.

Friday, April 24, 1896 - Salt Lake City

In company with a large body of gentlemen I paid a visit [to] the power plants in Cottonwood Canyon. A wonderful work has been done and ere long the power can be utilized for all kinds of manufacturing, lighting and heating.

Wednesday, April 29, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I received a loan from Dooley at Wells Fargoes today for \$7,000.

Thursday, April 30, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon, G. F. Gibbs and I met in Council. Some matters were talked over. President Snow spoke in regard to the scope of the Manifesto.¹⁵

Mr. Timothy Egan hold[s] a Tax Title to the Carrington property which belongs [to] the Church. The title is in me.

Friday, May 1, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I paid T. Egan \$270.84 in order to get his Tax Title to the Carrington Corner.

¹⁵ Because there was resistance to the Political Manifesto in some stakes, a plan of action was decided on at this meeting. According to Franklin D. Richards, "It should first be presented to the presiding Authorities of a stake or Ward and when accepted by them then present it to their people." This was seen as a way to deal with "such as do not most readily accept it" (diary, April 30, 1896).

[Went to Logan for stake conference, May 2-3.]

Sunday, May 3, 1896 - Logan

We met with the High Council and a vote was taken on the declaration [Political Manifesto]. Seth Langton voted against it. Geo. W. Thatcher, Aaron F. Farr did not vote. All of the rest voted in favor of it.

Elder M. W. Merrill and I attend an overflow meeting and both spoke. Also Geo. Pitkin. Bp. Hyde presided. I read the Declaration and it was unanimously sustained. Prest. Joseph F. Smith and Heber J. Grant spoke in the Tabernacle and also read the Declaration. It is said about 12 persons voted against it.

Monday, May 4, 1896 - Logan

I had a talk with Dr. W. B. Parkinson. He told me Bro. Moses Thatcher is a Morphine fiend and he explained to me the terrible effects of the Drug. He also placed in my hands a letter purporting to be written by an opium eater, a Doctor in Oregon, but my spirit says it was written by Moses Thatcher.

Tuesday, May 5, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I got from James Jack \$75.00, \$50 cash and \$25 in Z.C.M.I. orders. I gave to each of my wives \$20.00. I paid Wells Fargo and Co. \$157.50 interest. It rained most all day.

Thursday, May 7, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Francis M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Abraham H. Cannon, G. F. Gibbs and I met in Council at the Temple. Francis M. Lyman and I am to go to Bear Lake Co. Idaho to adjust some troubles. I[t] was determined in the Council that in all of the Forms of Baptism the words "Renewal of your Covenants and Remission of your sin" should be left out. A letter is to be sent to all of the Temples to that effect.

Thursday, May 14, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. met today. Business continues very good.

Saturday, May 16, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The Argus has an interview from Jos. F. Smith and myself and others over the high Council affair.

Thursday, May 21, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon spoke to me today about my not voting with my quorum on many occasions and thought I was not doing right. I thanked him for his kindly talk.

Friday, May 22, 1896 - Ephraim

I went by way of the Union Pacific and San Pete valley Railway to Ephraim, San Pete Co. to attend the funeral of Sister Sarah Peterson, wife of President Canute Peterson. F. M. Lyman joined me at Provo. The funeral commenced at 1 p.m. and lasted until 4 p.m., Bp. Andersen presiding. A number of the brethren had spoken before Bro. Lyman and I arrived and we spoke considerable time.

Tuesday, May 26, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I went to Spanish Fork today and drew some dividend[s] from the Spanish Fork store. I brought home \$118.64 dollars worth of goods. I paid tithing \$29.85.

Thursday, May 28, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, Abraham H. Cannon, G. F. Gibbs & I met in Council.

Jos. F. Smith favored trying Moses Thatcher at once. Wilford Woodruff favored trying Moses Thatcher at once. Wilford Woodruff said it was our duty to see that Bro. Thatcher had a hearing just as soon as possible and that he be dealt with so as to prevent him from doing harm. Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, F. D. Richards & B. Young favored actions just as soon as Moses health would permit. I felt we could not hurry matters.

Thursday, June 4, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, Abraham H. Cannon & G. F. Gibbs met in Council at the temple. Bro. M. Thatcher was to have been with us but failed on account of sickness.

Friday, June 5, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I called at the office and had a short conversation with Joseph F. Smith. It has cost about \$600.00 a trip for G. Q. Cannon and wife on their trips east, several of which has been taken at church expense.

Saturday, June 6, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I drove over Jordan to see my meadow. The river is quite high. I got from J. Jack cash \$100.00. I paid to Josephine \$25.00 and Sarah \$25.00.

Thursday, June 11, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I baptised this morning my daughters Lucy and Tirzah Priscilla Smith. The latter is 8 years old today and was born in this city June 11, 1888. Lucy was born Dec. 24, 1887 at Snowflake, Apache Co. Arizona. I also confirmed them members of the church.

I signed a note for \$2,000.00 for Iowa state Savings bank and gave mortgage on Carrington Corner.

[Went to Colorado for meetings of the Mexican Colonization and Agricultural Company, June 12-18, then on to Idaho for conferences, June 20-24].

Sunday, June 21, 1896 - Elbe, Cassia County, Idaho [stake conference]

The people were well dressed and nearly all rode to meeting in good spring vehicles and drove good horses. A nice spirit prevailed.

Monday, June 22, 1896 - Elbe, Cassia County, Idaho

The Presidency of the stake and myself listened to a trouble among the brethren about land and told them what we would do if it was us.

At 10 a.m. Conference convened. The address of the Presidency was read and approved, one vote against it.

Thursday, June 25, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I finished the payment of a note to Mrs. Fox for \$1600.00 and interest today.

Presidents W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Elders F. D. Richards, Brig. Young, John W. Taylor and myself met at the Temple. G. F. Gibbs was present. Moses Thatcher's condition was talked over. I held he was not responsible from his use of narcotics. Prest. W. Woodruff & G. Q. Cannon rather held that he was.

Monday, June 29, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I had the privilege of attending a meeting with W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, M. W. Merrill and U.S. Senator F. J. Cannon. The political situation was talked over. Senator Cannon felt his action should be endorsed in leaving the St. Louis Convention, and he said he would take immediate steps to bring the people to his way of thinking. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon endorsed his view and Prest. W. Woodruff acquiesced. M. W. Merrill said nothing and I said I would take the matter under advisement. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon felt a little hurt and said to F. J. Cannon, we will call Republicans together and take steps at once.

My mother or Aunt is 68 years old today. I went to Provo and called upon her.

Tuesday, June 30, 1896 - Salt Lake City

With my sons Chase, Winslow and Nicholas I went over Jordan and spent the day hauling and stacking hay. I was very tired at night.

Wednesday, July 1, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I was so lame from work yesterday that I can scarcely get about today.

Tuesday, July 7, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill met in Council at the Temple. A resolution passed by the Salt Lake Stake High Council Reflecting upon F. M. Lyman's talk at the stake conference was considered. We voted that we did not believe as apostles that we had the right to over turn stake organizations of our own volition. Several of the brethren made speeches.

Thursday, July 9, 1896 - Salt Lake City

At 11 a.m. Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor and M. W. Merrill met and related some of our experiences. About 1 p.m. presidents Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith joined us. We partook of the sacrament together, Prest. Jos. F. Smith offering the prayer.

Prest. Wilford Woodruff said we had neglected our duty in regard to Moses Thatcher, that the sooner he was dealt with and an understanding reached the better. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon did not care to talk on account of former occurrences but endorsed Prest. Woodruff. Joseph F. Smith was for decisive action. To his mind we were unjust to the people as well as to Bro. Thatcher from the position in which we had left him. The Presidency withdrew and the Apostles present appointed Franklin D. Richards and Brigham Young a committee to wait upon Bro. Moses Thatcher and ascertain from him what he had made his mind up to do.

We adjourned to meet at 7 p.m. at our room in the Temple.

7 p.m. We met. Prayer by Bro. Geo. Teasdale.

Prest. F. D. Richards and B. Young reported their visit to Bro. M. Thatcher. They found him dressed to go out to the Lake. He received them kindly but said he had undergone no change of sentiment as to the address. Both brethren were impressed with his cold, cunning spirit.

We all spoke upon the matter and finally agreed to say to Bro. Moses he could meet us on the 22nd to answer to the charge of apostasy.

Sunday, July 12, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Judge White of Ogden called on me. He said some leading Republicans of Weber Co. wanted me to run for Congress on a McKinley ticket. I told him I would take it under advisement.

Wednesday, July 15, 1896 - Salt Lake City

H. J. Grant and I set apart 10 Elders and one sister for missions. Elder A. H. Cannon is very bad today. A consultation Doctor was called and an operation performed which gave some relief. H. J. Grant and I went and administered to him.

Thursday, July 16, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I attended the meetings of the Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. and of the Grant Soap. Co.

Bro. Moses Thatcher been very poorley. He had up to ten p.m. last night not taken any Morphine for over one hundred and twenty hours.

Sunday, July 19, 1896 - Provo

A. H. Cannon died this morning at 5:15 a.m.

Monday, July 20, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I signed a note at the Zions Savings bank of over \$15 thousand dollars today.

Sunday, July 26, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The funeral of Abraham H. Cannon came off[f] at 2 p.m. at the Tabernacle. [program listed]

This evening Bp. Wm. B. Preston called on me and invited me to go to his office with [him]. I did so and found A. F. Farr, Seth Langton, Geo. A. Snow, Dr. Geo. Hyde, Severine Jepson, Moses Thatcher Jr., Geo. J. Thatcher, W. B. Preston and myself made up the company.

It was stated by Moses Thatcher [Jr.] that he was adicted to the Morphine habbit and part of the time insane and that they must do something for him. S. Jepson, who had been more with Moses Sr. than any one else, endorsed the statement. It was finally agreed to get him if possible to go of his own free will to a sanatarium in California, if he refused to do so then to insist on sending him any way. We adjourned to meet tomorrow at Bp. Preston's home.

Monday, July 27, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I met with parties named as being in our meeting last night but after talking over the situation, Sister Thatcher thought my presence would arouse Moses and I left. I have not heard how matters went.

Wednesday, August 5, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Some members of Cannon Grant & Co. met and decided to sign a [?] note for \$9,000.00. I paid J. E. Dooley \$157.50 interest. I paid Wm. James \$31.75 for putting in pipe at Crismon house.

Thursday, August 6, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Prests. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor & G. F. Gibbs met and partook of the sacrament at our room in the Temple. Moses Thatchers condition is being talked over. I was instructed to Telegraph to D. W. Ap. Jones that we did not want the Ranch property he had written about.

Wednesday, August 12, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Myself and wives went out to the lake and had a bath and witnessed the play of Madrid.

Friday, August 21, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Senator A. Brown called upon me. I told him I was for McKinley for President and agreed to go to Ogden and talk Saturday night.

[Went on trip to Oregon to see saw mills, mines, and other businesses in the area, August 22-September 1.]

Saturday, August 29, 1896 - Portland, Oregon

The forenoon was spent by Bp. Geo. Romney and Myself in looking over the City. It is well built, streets well paved. Many buildings empty. Business dull. Our party consisting of Bp. Geo. Romney, W. W. Riter, David Eccles, Thos. D. Dee, Levi Riter and myself went by the O. Ry. & N. Co. Steamer F. J. Potter 110 miles to Astoria. We put up at the Occident Hotel.

Thursday, Sept. 3, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I went through the Temple today and was endowed for my Uncle David Lord Libbey and had his wife Caroline sealed to him, Hannah M. Smith acting for her. I had Jane Topham sealed to me, Hannah Topham Clark acting for Jane. I went up to Ogden and attended the meeting of the extreme silverite Wing of the Republican party. Some good talk was made and some unwise things said.¹⁶

Monday, Sept. 7, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I attended the funeral of F. H. Auerbach at the Jewish Synagoug. Thos. Marshall delivered the adress. It is a Holliday and many people are gone to Saltair today.

¹⁶Utah Republicans had a difficult problem in 1896 with the silver issue. The national party had refused to abandon the gold standard, causing a split in Utah's Republican party between the regulars, who supported McKinley and the national party, and the "silverites," many of whom supported local and state Republicans but backed William Jennings Bryan and the national Democratic ticket. This led to separate conventions and separate party labels on the ballot. The "silverites" were listed as the Independent Republican party. John Henry tried to keep peace among the factions but was unable to avoid the split that helped give Democrats the victory.

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Saturday, Sept. 12, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent about the City. C. S. Penrose has been chosen by Senator F[rank]. J. Cannon, F. D. Richards, & George Q. Cannon to go with me to Idaho. He is to try and corral men to vote for Dubois. Followers working with Democrats and Populists to this end and to see that I don't do any mischief to Senator F. J. Cannon's Friend. We left at 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 17, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Lund & G. F. Gibbs, clerk, met in Council.

President W. Woodruff said he wanted Moses Thatcher's case fixed up before Conference. Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith endorsed his view. I[t] was decided that Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman and Myself wait upon Moses Thatcher and give him the Ultimatum of the twelve and demand his answer.

Senator F. J. Cannon and Gov. Heber M. Wells having been invited to join us by President W. Woodruff, came in. Senator Cannon presented some views on the political situation. Gov. Wells largely endorsed them. H. J. Grant, Myself, A. H. Lund and J. F. Smith, W. Woodruff, and Geo. Q. Cannon also spoke, giving our views. Geo. Q. Cannon said he was a Republican but favored silver, did not know who he would vote for. Thought it best for us not to express our views but to play fast and loose between men. A Resolution was unanimously passed that none of the Presidency or Twelve should go on the stump.

We all agreed to try and bring harmony into Republican Ranks. Gov. H. M. Wells, Geo. A. Lowe, W. S. McCornick, O. J. Salisbury, C. C. Goodwin, S. H. Hill, Geo. M. Scott, J. E. Dooley, and myself met and tried [to] devise a means by which we could unite the Republicans.

I received the following from Lindsay R. Rogers of Ogden.

Weber County Republican Convention will be unanimous for you for Congress. Wire me privately if you will accept nomination.

I answered
L. R. Rogers

I cannot accept a nomination. Thank my many friends for their kindly feelings. Success to the Grand old Party.

John Henry Smith

Friday, Sept. 18, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I am forty eight (48) years old today and my wives invited in some of our relatives and we had a nice time.

Quite a number of Republicans met [at] headquarters and made an effort to reconcile differences. Senator F. J. Cannon, Gov. H. M. Wells, O. J. Salisbury, W. S. McCornick, R. S. Campbell, J. E. Dooley, C. S. Varian, A. L. Thomas, S. H. Hill, J. T. Hammond, C. C. Goodwin, J. C. Granham, S. J. Kenyon, Geo. M. Scott, D. J. Dailey, and Thompson. A committee of seven was appointed to try and adjust the troubles in the Republican ranks or to suggest how it could be done and report tomorrow night.

Saturday, Sept. 19, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The committee trying to adjust the troubles in the Republican ranks met this evening and adjourned until Monday night.

Sunday, Sept. 20, 1896 - Nephi

With others I went and administered to a Bro. Wright who is possessed of an evil spirit. We failed to cast him out.

Monday, Sept. 21, 1896 - Nephi

The Men who compose the Republican Committee finally agreed to work together in a local way.

Thursday, Sept. 24, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I telegraphed to E. Dooley, Mt. Pleasant:

Don't use the names of the Presidency or Twelve for any office. We have decided not to take part.

John Henry Smith

The Democratic Convention was held in Provo today. The Republican was held at Mt. Pleasant. The Independant Republicans at the Theatre in this city. L[afayette]. Holbrook was nominated by Silver Republicans today for Congress.

Saturday, Sept. 26, 1896 - Ogden

The Republican Convention convened at Ogden today to nominate a member of Congress. L. Holbrook of Provo was selected after a hot fight.

Monday, Sept. 28, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I am on the list for petit jurors. I was at the court all day but not called on a jury. The judge excused Heber J. Grant and me for three days.

Thursday, Oct. 1, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, and A. H. Lund met at the Temple and talked over the missionary labor. Presidents Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon & Joseph F. Smith and Elder Geo. F. Gibbs joined us. Geo. Q. Cannon made some explanations as to the Beck and Bullion deals in which he said John W. Taylor tried to undo [what] Prest. John Taylor had done. John W. Taylor made a statement as to his work in connection with his father's estate.

Friday, Oct. 2, 1896 - Salt Lake City.

I went to the Temple and my Mother and I attended to the sealings of four of the couples of our dead kindred. My Uncle Webster Libbey among them. I again went to court and was excused until tomorrow. Republican Primaries were held in all the Precincts tonight. I attended the one in the 28th.

Sunday, Oct. 4, 1896 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

General Conference convened at 10 a.m. today. All of the Presidency, all Twelve but M. Thatcher and all of the Seven Presidents of the Seventies but B. H. Roberts and Ed Stevensen were present.

Monday, Oct. 5, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and Apostles met and talked over Bro. M. Thatcher's case. Prest. W. Woodruff determined to make a statement which he did at the afternoon.

2 p.m. Conference.

Prest. W. Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, Myself, Brigham Young, H. J. Grant, Geo. Teasdale, and Jos. F. Smith spoke and referred to Bro. M. Thatcher's position. A very good spirit prevailed.

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I was at Court most of the day. I am on a jury to try a case between an Iowa Bank and Judge Louffborough.

My wife Josephine is 39 years old today. Prest. Joseph F. Smith and a large crowd surprised her and we had a nice evening.

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I was at Judge Street's court most of the day.

My son Nathaniel L. is very sick with Typhoid fever.

C. W. Penrose told me this evening that Bro. Moses Thatcher was going to meet with his associates in the Temple.

Thursday, Oct. 15, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I was at Court all day on the Stenke versus Loufborough case. The Presidency and some of the twelve met at the Temple. Bro. Moses Thatcher called but was denied entrance, so I was told. I don't feel quite right about it. I met U.S. Senators R. R. Proctor and F. E. Warren today.

Friday, Oct. 16, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Judges Hiles and Street excused me until Tuesday morning from Court.

I attended the Republican Rally at the Theatre tonight.

Tuesday, Oct. 20, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I was in Judge Street's Court on the jury all day. I met with Presidents Wilford Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon & Jos. F. Smith a few moments at noon. I learned that Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon is a candidate for U.S. Senator by his reading to me a letter he was writing to Senator Redfield Proctor.

Friday, Oct. 23, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Josephine and I gave Sarah a bedroom set cost \$40.00.

Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1896 - Salt Lake City

My son is getting better.

The Directors of the Theatre Co. met and declared a dividend of three percent. We fixed the salary of our Manager at one thousand dollars.

Thursday, Oct. 29, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I sent the following:

F. E. Warren
Cheyenne, Wyoming

Have been absent. Will meet your request, go tomorrow evening.

John Henry Smith
Collect [charge to receiver]

Friday, Oct. 30, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I spent some of the day looking after getting sewerage put in to the little adobie house. I went to Evanston, Wyoming and put up at the hotel.

Saturday, Oct. 31, 1896 - Evanston, Wyoming

I spent the day making calls and talking on the doctrines of the Republican party and making efforts in favor of McKinley. People were quite cold. Bp. James Brown became somewhat excited. I Road in a carriage with Senator C. D. Clark and Wife and Mrs. DeLoney to Almy, where Senator Clark and Judge Groesbeck made some political speeches.

Sunday, Nov. 1, 1896 - Almy, Uintah County, Wyoming

A number of the brethren called on me and I talked politics with them.

Bro. Chas Deloney came with a carriage and took me and a Bro. Eardly to Evanston. I preached in the Saints meeting house.

The Salt Lake Papers had a false report of my visit to Evanston.

Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The election is on and everything going smoothly. I cast my vote for a straight Republican.

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The Republicans have elected Gov. McKinley President of the United States.

Utah has gone Democratic. I paid interest on a note at Wells Fargoes bank \$157.50.

Thursday, Nov. 5, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, J. W. Taylor and myself met in Council. It was determined to meet Moses Thatcher at the Historian's office on Thursday next.

Monday, Nov. 9, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I was on the jury all day in the Case of John Eddins vs. Salt Lake City for damages.

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I am still on the jury. Eddins case was decided in favor of the City.

Judge Street discharged us and expressed his thanks for our attendance. I received for Services \$42.20 in scrip or warrants.

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I was rustling about to get a sewer put in at No. 112 W. S T [West South Temple] street.

Thursday, Nov. 12, 1896 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and all of the Apostles but John W. Taylor

and M. Thatcher met in the Temple and had prayers. Moses Thatcher wrote to us declining to meet us.

We agreed to ask him to meet us at the Historian's office next Thursday at 10 o'clock.

Monday, Nov. 16, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met today. President Joseph F. Smith and I wrote a letter to Mark Hanna.¹

Wednesday, Nov. 18, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I met with Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. E. Taylor, C. W. Penrose, C. H. Wilcken, Jos. F. Smith, Geo. F. Gibbs, Heber J. Grant, and A. M. Cannon to talk over the candidacy of Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon for the Senate. We did nothing.

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met at the office. Business seems good. I spent the evening at Josephine's.

Thursday, Nov. 19, 1896 - Salt Lake City

10 a.m. Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, and A. H. Lund, with G. F. Gibbs as clerk, met at the Historian's office to consider the case of Moses Thatcher. The Papers in connection with the case were read. Bro. M. Thatcher did not come but his son George brought a letter.

After considering the facts it was unanimously decided to drop Moses Thatcher from his Priesthood for insubordination and it was done and published in the Deseret News this evening.

Tuesday, Nov. 24, 1896 - Salt Lake City

We returned home. Dr. J. S. Richards examined my wife Sarah and determined that an operation must be performed.

Thursday, Nov. 26, 1896 - Salt Lake City

At 9:30 a.m. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Heber J. Grant, F. S. Richards, C. W. Penrose, J. Golden Kimball, R. S. Campbell, Geo. F. Gibbs and myself met at the President's office and talked over the political situation. Prest. W. Woodruff expressed a wish that Geo. Q. Cannon should be sent to the U.S. Senate. G. Q. C. endorsed this and all of the others felt it could not be done without trouble. It was felt we would try and aid Henderson to be elected.

¹In a letter to Mark Hanna, chair of the Republican National Committee, John Henry and Joseph F. Smith wrote that more Mormons had stood more firmly in the Republican camp than non-Mormons in the recent election. See John Henry Smith Letters, Special Collections, Marriott Library, University of Utah, Salt Lake City.

H. J. Grant, J. G. Kimball, C. W. Penrose, F. S. Richards and I was appointed a committee to look into our political affairs.

I ate chicken at Sarah's today.

Saturday, Nov. 28, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Drs. J. S. Richards, Niles McKenna and Wilcox removed part of the womb of my wife Sarah today. Her womb was torn in her last confinement and she has suffered a great deal with it. She came out from under the influence of chloroform all right.

Sunday, Nov. 29, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Sarah is doing nicely. We are pleased. I spent most of the day at the Hospital. I spoke a few moments at the 19th ward. Bp. W. B. Preston and a Bro. Bowering also spoke. I met with my prayer circle and talked to them about Bro. M. Thatcher's condition.²

Monday, Nov. 30, 1896 - Salt Lake City

Sarah is out of danger, so the Doctor says. I spent a short time with her today. I got \$50.00 in cash from J. Jack today. Prest. L. Snow published a letter in the News tonight. I took a Turkish Bath this evening.

Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I was under the weather all day with Lumbago. My wife Sarah is doing nicely so the Doctor says.

Thursday, Dec. 3, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I paid some of my taxes. The Directors of the Y.M.M.I.A. [Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association] met and discussed the magazine matter. Prest. W. Woodruff is quite sick.

Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, John W. Taylor, G. F. Gibbs and myself met at the Temple and talked over Moses Thatcher's Case. I called upon Sarah at the Hospital, she feels well.

Saturday, Dec. 5, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the afternoon at the Hospital with Sarah. She was somewhat out of sorts.

Monday, Dec. 7, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in visiting with my wife at the Hospital.

²Prayer circles were composed of small groups of friends. They served both religious and social functions. Members of prayer circles would meet together on a weekly or monthly basis, clothe first in their temple robes, act out certain portions of the temple ceremonies, ritually pray together—one of their members acting as mouth for the group—then clothe in street attire and remain for formal and informal discussions.

I also had some talk with Prest. W. Woodruff, Jos. F. Smith, H. J. Grant, and B. H. Roberts in regard to a Combination of all Magazines in one and that to be a good one.

Friday, Dec. 11, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day at the Hospital with my wife Sarah. She is doing moderately well. I went by train in company with F. M. Lyman and J. G. Kimball to Idaho.

Tuesday, Dec. 16, 1896 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah is still at the Hospital. I spent an hour or more there.

Friday, Dec. 18, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I left for Oakley, Cassia Co. Idaho on the 7 p.m. train.

Saturday, Dec. 19, 1896 - Oakley, Idaho

I went by stage to Oakley, going by way of Albion. The people of Oakley killed three thousand Jack Rabbits today. I put up at Prest. H. D. Haight.

Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1896 - Oakley

I had a short visit with Aunt Augusta Smith, my Cousins John L. Smith and Sophronia. Bro. S. H. Hale drove me to the meeting of the Roads out of Albion. I then got on to the stage. Just before reaching Minnedoka the tongue came down and the horses did some kicking in good shape. I fell out of the coach and Mr. Nolens stood on his head in the back of the carriage. The driver held the horses and after getting things together we went on to the station.

Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I took train for home. I found my wife Sarah at George[s]. She is doing very nicely. I spent most of the day with her.

Friday, Dec. 25, 1896 - Salt Lake City

My family had a very good Christmas, George giving them all something. I did but little myself.

Tuesday, Dec. 29, 1896 - Salt Lake City

The weather is remarkably fine. I was most of the day at the bedside of my sick wife.

Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I paid the Sisters [Holy Cross] Hospital \$43.50 today, the ballance of \$68.00 for my wife Sarah's keep at the Hospital.

Josephine is laid up with Lumbago. Sarah is mending.

Friday, Jan. 1, 1897 - Salt Lake City

My family had a reasonable amount of the good things for the New Year. We had good dinners and all are moderately well but Sarah.

Sunday, Jan. 3, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I took my wife Sarah to the Holy Cross Hospital.

Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1897 - Salt Lake City

We had the second operation performed on my wife Sarah. Dr. Jos. S. Richards handled the knife. The efforts to tie the cord to the womb was a failure. I was at the Hospital all day.

Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1896 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Holy Cross Hospital most of the day. My wife is very poorly.

Monday, Jan. 11, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The wound in my wife[s] side is giving her pain. The removal of stitches revealed puss. I spent a fair share there in the Hospital today. Bro. H. J. Grant went with me and spent a short time and administered.

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1897 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah is better this morning. I called at O. J. Salisbury's office and talked over the renting of the Wasatch property. 26 Elders were set apart for missions to the southern states at the Annex to the Temple.

Thursday, Jan. 14, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Y.M.M.I.A. met and talked over the business of the Associations.

Presidents W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, A. H. Lund and myself met in Council at the Temple. Geo. F. Gibbs was also there as clerk. Railroad matters were considered.

My wife Sarah is mending slowly. She is still at the Hospital.

My daughter Lucy was hurt while coasting tonight. Dr. Wilcox sewed up the wound.

Tuesday, Jan. 19, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Hospital part of the day. The evening I spent at Hyrum Groesbeck's.

Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day at the Hospital. Sarah was somewhat gloomy.

Thursday, Jan. 21 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Y.M.M.I.A. met and talked Improvement [magazine] matters. I got from Jas Jack today on Estate Matters \$76.00.

I paid I. M. Waddell \$40.00 for labor he had done for father's Estate. Prest. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Geo. Teasdale, F. M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant and I met in Council. We talked over the Political situation and some other business.

The Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. met and heard the Reports on the year's business. Josephine and me went to the Theatre.

Friday, Jan. 22, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent a large share of the day at the bedside of my wife at the Hospital.

Josephine and I went to Sister Cloe Eldridge's and spent the evening. Quite a number of Mutual Improvement people had a meeting at Sister A. W. McCune's at 5 p.m. and amended the League Rules.

Saturday, Jan. 23, 1897 - Salt Lake City

My son Geo. A. Smith and I wrote letters today to many leading men in regard to the Post Office of this City.

My wife is mending slowly.

Tuesday, Jan. 26, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in looking after my own affairs. A short time was spent at the Hospital. Sarah was sitting up part of the day. Father L. Farr and Bp. Winslow Farr and I talked over the Thatcher Matter.

Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I went to the president's Office and met in Council with Prests W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Franklin D. Richards, Heber J. Grant, John Q. Cannon and myself. We talked over the Senatorial situation and all felt if our brethren would like to elect J. L. Rawlins Senator we would be more than pleased to have them do so. John Q. Cannon was to see Jas. H. Moyle and H. J. Grant and I to see F. S. Richards and C. W. Penrose. Charles Richards and L. W. Shurtleff joined us. Moses Thatcher, J. L. Rawlins and Henderson are the U.S. Senator candidates.

Thursday, Jan. 28, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Cold. The political situation looks mixed.

At 11 a.m. Prest. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Francis M. Lyman, Geo. F. Gibbs and I met in Council. The question of a great [news]Paper for the church was discussed but no conclusion reached.

I called to see my wife for a few moments.

Friday, Jan. 29, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I brought my wife home from the Hospital. She felt very bad at parting with the Sisters.

I was at home most of the day. I paid for Sarah board and attendance at the Hospital all told \$143.50.

Monday, Feb. 1, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The employees of Z.C.M.I. had a grand ball at the Theatre. I took my wife Josephine and my daughter Sarah. We had a most agreeable time.

Tuesday, Feb. 2, 1897 - Salt Lake City.

Political matters are running high over U.S. Senator.

I paid taxes for Josephine \$157.90.

The stockholders of the Coop. Furniture Co. declared a six per cent dividend.

I was elected president for the ensuing year.

Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Joseph L. Rawlins was today elected U.S. Senator.

My wife Josephine and daughter Sarah and I attended the wedding reception of Horace S. Eldredge and Nellie Groesbeck at the Residence of the bride's parents.

Thursday, Feb. 4, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Bp. Geo. Romney, G. T. Odell and myself went by train tonight to examine into the Condition of the business of the Coop. W. & M. Co. at Idaho Falls.

Friday, Feb. 5, 1897 - Idaho Falls

Manager Gilbert Wright met us and we spent the entire day examining our books, notes goods and accounts.

Every thing was in good shape.

Bp. Geo. Romney and I took a look through Z.C.M.I. and found our stock in a bad fix.

Sunday, Feb. 7, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I attended fast meeting. Moses Thatcher among others bore Testimony. His spirit is very peculiar.

Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1897 - Salt Lake City

George Romney, Geo. T. Odell and I went to Logan and looked through our notes and accounts and stock and checked them up. Odell and I returned to Ogden and went through our stock and found it in very good shape but the accounts and notes of the company were in a bad fix.

Friday, Feb. 12, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I wrote letters to Prest. Wm. McKinley and others. I also got letters from W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, F. M. Lyman, R. L. Canpbell and others to Prest. Wm. McKinley in favor of [my son] George for Postmaster.

I got \$75.00 for expense money from Jas. Jack.

I spent the evening writing letters. I also got \$50.00 cash from James Jack for myself.

[Went to Mexico, February 13-March 3, returning by way of New Mexico and Arizona.]

Friday, Feb. 19, 1897 - Dublan, Chihuahua, Mexico

In company with Bro. A. W. Ivins and his son we drove to Colonia Juarez. I put up with Bro. Henry Eyring. Bro. H. J. Grant with Bro. A. W. Ivins.

Monday, Feb. 22, 1897 - Colonia Juarez, Chihuahua

We met with the high Council, Young Ladies M. I. associations, also with the Relief Society and we talked at all of these meetings. We drove out over the Parkdiago Ranch. It is a fine property. We had dinner at Bro. E. L. Taylors and Supper at Bro. Jos. Bentleys and spent the evening there.

M. P. Romney had Emily Eyring Snow sealed to him by H. J. Grant. H. Eyring witness.

Friday, Feb. 26, 1897 - Colonia Juarez, Chihuahua

It is a beautifull day. We decided that O. P. Brown should not pay the M.C. & A. Co. the amount charged against for his loss was caused by inclement weather and drouth and his contract protected him against such loss.

Sunday, Feb. 28, 1897 - Colonia Diaz, Chihuahua

We attended Sunday School and both spoke a few moments. The children appeared well dressed and bright.

We also met with the brethren in prayer Circle and gave them some council. Bro. H. J. Grant gave them some facts about Bro. Moses Thatcher's condition. I advised the people to keep their firearms and ammunition so they could defend themselves.

Sunday, March 7, 1897 - Thatcher, Arizona [stake conference]

I spoke for one hour and five minutes on the duties we owe to our heavenly father and the fullfillment of our promises to him.

We called upon and administered to two sick sisters. I blest two babies today.

I sealed today at Bp. Samuel Claradge's home Jacob E. Zundell and

Euphemia M. Welker, Robert Thos. John and Tabitha C. Pace, Jared Curtis John and Betsy Maud Barney, James A. Duke and Levernica A. Wright, Orval D. Williams and Phoebe Ann Reynolds, all of Thatcher. [Other sealings by John Henry Smith and Heber J. Grant are listed.]

Friday, March 12, 1897 - Mesa, Arizona

Benjamin F. Johnson of Mesa gave me a deed made by Joseph Smith to my grand Father John Smith, May 3rd 1844 at Macedonia, Hancock Co., Ill.

Tuesday, March 16, 1897 - Snowflake, Arizona

It rained very hard this morning. During the night my cousin Joseph W. Smith had his barn filled with hay and 8 head of horses burned up. Loss to him \$1,000.00. It is though[t] a match must have been dropped by the stage driver.

Tuesday, March 30, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff and Brigham Young are quite poorly.

I met with the Directors of the Home Fire Insurance Co. and with the Directors of the Coop. Furniture Co.

Wednesday, March 31, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Most of the Twelve called upon Prest. W. Woodruff and B. Young and administered to them. I heard Bro. B. H. Roberts lecture at the Assembly Hall in the evening. We had a good time.

Thursday, April 1, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Geo. Q. Cannon, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant. John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill and Anthon H. Lund met in Council. We talked over many matters. We also partook of the sacrament and the holy spirit was with us in great power. I have suffered with my head today and the brethren administered to me.

Monday, April 5, 1897 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

Conference at 10 a.m. I was the first speaker and dwelt upon the subject of honoring old age. Geo. Teasdale spoke upon the same subject and Heber J. Grant spoke upon home industry and payment of Tithes and offerings.

Thursday, April 8, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The following brethren met at the Temple at 12 noon: Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, and Anthon H. Lund. Some talk was had over the question of the immorality of our City.

I attended Mrs. Mountford lecture in the Tabernacle, it was on Jacob. I had Philomela Callister sealed to me today by Prest. Joseph F. Smith. Mary Miranda Callilster Lyman proxy for her sister.

Wednesday, April 14, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I helped the folks in house cleaning.

Thursday, April 15, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Today is Arbor day and the people are planting many trees. I got some lumber to build a fence at Josephine's.

Friday, April 16, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met and Elected Heber J. Grant, Geo. Romney and John R. Barnes Executive Committee and Thos. G. Webber, Manager.

My son Geo. A. is quite poorly. I am building fence at Josephine's.

Thursday, April 22, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, and Myself met in Council at the Temple. Geo. F. Gibbs was with us. Moses Thatcher's Case was talked over a little.

I took train tonight for Thompsons Spring.

Friday, April 23, 1897 - Moab, Grand County

I hired a passage to Moab with Mr. Lester Taylor, \$2.50, meals 15 cents. I went to the Darrow hotel at Moab. I found Mons Petersen and learned there was a judgement against him of \$631.50 and another of \$52.33 but an execution had alone issued for the former. I had a peculiar dream about Aaron & Lorin Farr.

Monday, April 26, 1897 - Moab

This is a fine day. The trees are in bloom and every thing looked lovely. I secured a deed to Prest. Wilford Woodruff, T. in T. [Trustee in Trust]. Expense \$2.50.

Wednesday, April 28, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I got \$554.16 from J. Jack, it to Mrs. C. E. Louder. I took up a Glasmann note of \$1,500.00 and gave one of my own for \$1,000.00 and paid the ballance. I gave a Mortgage on a piece of the Carrington Corner. This is church business.

Thursday, April 29, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor

and I met in the Apostles Room at the Temple. G. F. Gibbs with us. Moses Thatcher's case was talked over. B. Young is still quite sick.

Saturday, May 1, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Part of the day was spent in painting the fence in front of Josephines. I went to Provo this evening. I found my mother quite poorly. All three of my sister Grace Cheever's sons are sick with measels.

Monday, May 3, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the City most of the day. My Father's Wife Bathsheba is 75 years old today. About 80 persons kindred and friends celebrated her birth at her granddaughter's Mrs. David Allen's home. We had a most excelent time.

Tuesday, May 4, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I delivered to Arthur Brown some papers for my son George A. I went to Spanish Fork and I met with the Directors of the Spanish Fork Coop. store and talked over the Condition of business. There is owing to the institution about \$75,000.00 and they have deposits of about \$35,000.00.

Saturday, May 15, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I was at home all day suffering from Rheumatism.

Wednesday, May 19, 1897 - Spanish Fork

Sarah and I went to Spanish Fork on business. The Coop. store gave me a dividend of \$298.75. I paid Tithing of \$29.80 on my dividend. We bot \$110.60 in goods.

Monday, May 24, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I am a badly undone man from Rheumatic troubles today.

Tuesday, May 25, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I drove out to Beck's hot springs and had a bath. My leg is quite lame today. I was in the house most of the day.

Wednesday, May 26, 1897 - Salt Lake City

My leg is some better today but far from well. I was at home most of the day. My box of things came from Spanish Fork.

Thursday, May 27, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff is getting quite feable. I took my wives out driving.

Tuesday, June 1, 1897 - Marysvale and Salt Lake City

We learned here that Heber J. Grant was dangerously sick. I telegraphed to James Jack to know how he was. . . . At Ephraim I got a telegram from Bro. James Jack that Bro. H. J. Grant was better.

I found all well at home. I attended a meeting at the Theatre and spoke. B. H. Roberts, O. W. Powers, Judge Colbeson and Spencer Clawson spoke in favor of the Jubilee. I broke down a chair.

Wednesday, June 2, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Bro. H. J. Grant, who has been very sick, is improving.

I paid J. C. Sassberg in full today for building my fence. \$50.00.

Thursday, June 3, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I took my son Winslow to the Holy Cross Hospital this morning. Dr. Joseph S. Richards performed the operation of removing the appendix. Drs. Wilcox, Whitney, S. B. Young, McKenna, McKalla, Root, Elias Wright, and others were present. The operation proved to be a success.

Friday, June 4, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at the Hospital. My son Winslow seems to be doing nicely. Bro. Heber J. Grant is mending every day.

Saturday, June 5, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I was at the bedside of my sick son for a large share of the day. Winslow is doing all right.

Sunday, June 6, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day at the Sisters Hospital. So did my wife, Sarah. Winslow has had a severe day. Bro. Heber J. Grant is doing nicely.

Monday, June 7, 1897 - Salt Lake City

My son is doing much better today. We feel he is out of danger.

Tuesday, June 8, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I was at meetings of the Directors of the Home Fire I. Co. and Heber J. Grant and each company contributed to the Jubilee fund \$100.00.

Wednesday, June 9, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Y.M.M.I.A. met and talked over affairs for two hours. I Received from W. H. Culmer and W. J. Bryan Certificate as member of the Trans-Mississippi Congress.

Thursday, June 10, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I bot a carriage this morning and am to pay \$102.50 for it.

The Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. met and talked over our business. My son is feeling quite poorly today.

Monday, June 14, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I had Franklin S. Richards draw up a power of Attorney from Mexican C. and A. Co. for A. W. Ivins. I took both of my wives out for a ride.

[Went to Colorado to to attend to business affairs of the Mexican Colonization and Agricultural Company, June 15-18.]

Saturday, June 19, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day at the Hospital with my son.

Monday, June 21, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards and myself had under advisement a trouble between Prest. Angus M. Cannon and Geo. C. Lambert.

Tuesday, June 22, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I paid the Holy Cross Hospital \$64.00 for care of my son Winslow and removed him to my home.

Wednesday, June 23, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at home looking after my son.

Saturday, June 26, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in getting arrangements completed for father's birthday. He would have been 80 years old today. Ninety persons met at Josephines at 6 p.m. There were forty-five of Father's decendants present. We had singing and speach making and some good things to eat. Prest. Joseph F. Smith and S. H. B. Smith being among our guests.

Sunday, June 27, 1897 - Salt Lake City

This is the anniversary of the Martyrdom of Joseph and Hyrum Smith.

My son Winslow has been very bad today but towards evening he improved.

Monday, June 28, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day looking after my own affairs. I drove my mother and sister Grace out to the Liberty Park. My son Winslow is much improved today.

Tuesday, June 29, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I was at President Wilford Woodruff's office most of the day. My step mother Hannah M. Smith is 69 years old today.

Thursday, July 1, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The First Presidency and Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, A. H. Lund, and myself and Geo. F. Gibbs, clerk, met at Temple.

A. M. Cannon, Jos. E. Taylor, and C. W. Penrose were called to explain why they had suppressed a letter of the First Presidency to them and the High Council. They asked pardon for having done so.

The Corner stone of the Pioneer Monument was laid at 5:30 p.m. today. Music by the Choir and band. Prayer by Lorenzo Snow. Oration by Franklin D. Richards. Speeches by Heber M. Wells and Mayor Glendening. Relicts deposited by Prest. Wilford Woodruff.

Stone declared laid by Brigham Young.

Benediction by Hanson Walker. Three cheers given, led by John Henry Smith.

Monday, July 5, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day driving the folks about the city. Many folks went to the pleasure resorts and Canyons to spend the day.

Tuesday, July 6, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I paid Zions Savings bank \$100.00 in Interest. The Coop. Furniture Co. \$20.00. Dr. J. S. Richards \$25.00. David James Co. \$5.00.

I met with several brethren and talked over the condition of the Loan and Trust Co.'s business at Ogden. A company of brethren [met] and talked over the political situation.

Thursday, July 8, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff is quite poorly. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Franklin D. Richards, Geo. Teasdale and myself met at the Temple and had prayer. It was also determined that Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon should go East.

I signed the credentials of parties going to the Republican League Convention at Detroit.

Friday, July 9, 1897 - Salt Lake City

My son Winslow is down stairs today. I did some choring about home.

Saturday, July 10, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Governor Heber M. Wells' wife died yesterday morning. Theodore McKean died yesterday morning also. James E. Evans gave notice of a damage suit against the Groesbeck Co. for ten thousand dollars. He was hurt in the Elevator in 1890 at the Wasatch building. Geo. Q. Cannon left for the East last night.

Tuesday, July 13, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The statue to Brigham Young and the Pioneers was completed today. Many of the Delegates to the Trans-Mississippi Congress are in the City.

Wednesday, July 14, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff is quite poorly.

The Trans-Mississippi Congress Convened in the Assembly Hall at 11 a.m. Secretary W. H. Culmer called the meeting to Order.

Henry R. Whitmore, chairman of the Executive, was called to Preside as Wm. J. Bryan, the President, had not as yet arrived. I was made chairman of the Utah delegation.

Thursday, July 15, 1897 - Salt Lake City

W. J. Bryan reached here and was most warmly received as he took charge of the Congress. Discussions on many subjects were had during the day.

Friday, July 16, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The Congress convened at 9 a.m. The committee on Resolutions made a report on Silver. Hugh Craig of California was elected permanent chairman. The gold standard resolution was voted down. The Silver Resolution was adopted.

Saturday, July 17, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Two sessions of Congress were held today and kindly expressions of regard were made by several speakers for Utah. The Congress adjourned at 6 p.m. We are to hold the next Congress at Wichita, Kansas.

Tuesday, July 20, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The commencement of the Pioneer exercises commenced today. The Procession formed at Pioneer Square and Marched to the Brigham Young monument, where music and speeches were made. O. F. Whitney read Prest. Wilford Woodruff prayer. James Moyle presented the monument. Gov. H. M. Wells received it. Brigham Young Jr. made a speech. C. C. Goodwin made a speech. Prest. Wilford Woodruff Said In the name of God I unvale this statue. [Catholic Bishop] Lawrence L. Scanlan gave the Benediction and all dispersed.

Wednesday, July 21, 1897 - Salt Lake City

There was a grand parade at 11 a.m.

My wife Josephine and I went to the band Contest at the Tabernacle.

Thursday, July 22, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Bathsheba Smith Merrill, Mary A. Smith Wimmer, John Henry Smith, Charles Warren Smith, Sarah M. Smith Colton, Clarissa W. Smith Williams, Margaret W. Smith Parry, Grace Smith Cheever, Elizabeth Smith Cartwright, Priscilla W. Smith, Pearl Smith had a picture taken in a group at Johnson's Art Galery.

This is Children's day. More than ten thousand of them were in line

and at the Tabernacle. Prest. Wilford Woodruff was crowned King by litle Miss Whitaker.

I went out to the Lake with my wife Josephine. I witnessed the Street pagent tonight.

Friday, July 23, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I was looking at the various sights today. The parade was a very good one.

Saturday, July 24, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Fifty years ago today Brigham Young and body of the Pioneer Co. entered the Valley. And unfurled to the breeze the stars and stripes.

The parade was simply magnificent.

Services were held in the Tabernacle. B. H. Roberts delivered an oration. Golden Kimball opened with Prayer and I closed.

I witnessed the fireworks from the Temple.

The Herald Publishing Co. planted a steel flag staff on Ensign Peak, 108 feet high, 6 inches at the bottom and three at the Top, a ball 12 inches in circumference, six steel guy ropes and a steel rope for hoisting the flag. Manager McDaniels presented to the People and Gov. H. M. Wells received it.

Prest. at the entrance to the Capitol Grounds Gov. Wells and staff, Judge Geo. W. Bartch, McDaniels and myself.

Thursday, July 29, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Joseph F. Smith took about two hundred of the Smith family out to Saltair. We had a picnic and many had a bath in the Lake. It blew very hard for a short time.

Saturday, July 31, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I drove the folks out to the Park. I spent some of the day looking up geneology.

Sunday, Aug. 1, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I went to the fast meeting and to the evening meeting in our own ward.

Monday, Aug. 2, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Mons Peterson of Moab Called on me about his farm. We, Prest. W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, J. R. Winder and I borrowed \$512.00 more for him. This makes \$4,512.00 in all.

I took my family out riding.

Wednesday, Aug. 4, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M.

Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Marriner W. Merrill and Anthon H. Lund met at the Temple. Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, M. W. Merrill and Anthon H. Lund spoke. The spirit was a good one. All expressed love and regard for each other.

Thursday, Aug. 5, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The members of the Apostles Council met again at 10 a.m. and All agreed that the Y.M.M.I. association should publish a paper.

At 11 a.m. Presidents Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith joined the Apostles and after some business was transacted. The Sacrament was administered. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon blest the bread and wine. John W. Taylor is absent in Colorado on a mission.

Friday, Aug. 6, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day with my sons Nicholas, Nathaniel, and Joseph putting up hay.

It rained during the afternoon quite freely.

Moses Thatcher is being tried for Apostasy before the High Council of the Salt Lake Stake. Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, and Heber J. Grant representing the Apostles.

Tuesday, Aug. 10, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I was most of the day getting ready to go to Idaho. At 8:45 p.m. my wife Sarah and I left for Teton Basin, Idaho.

Friday, Aug. 20, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Several gentlemen met at the President of the Churches Office and talked over the question of City Government and the propriety of organizing a business for Citizens movement looking to better Conditions in City affairs.

Wednesday, Aug. 25, 1897 - Salt Lake City

John Smith, Joseph F. Smith, Silas S. Smith, Elias A. Smith, George Albert Smith, Winslow Farr Smith, Lucy Smith Acomb, Edith Smith, Elizabeth Smith Cartwright, Sarah Ann Smith, Donnetta Smith, Lucy E. W. Smith, Hattie Smith Smith met at the Temple and attended to a number of sealings. We also attended to Adoptions linking the race together back to the Emigrant from England. It was a most happy day. I called upon H. J. Grant and Mrs. Emma Riggs also Sister Robbins who is 86 years old.

Prest. Wilford Woodruff, George Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, and myself with Geo. F. Gibbs met in the Temple. On motion of Franklin D. Richards, seconded by Lorenzo Snow, it was unanimously agreed Silas Sanford Smith should be ordained a Patriarch. President Wilford Woodruff instructed Joseph F. Smith to ordain him.

I called upon Mrs. Emma Robbins Riggs who is dangerously sick.

She desires to be sealed to me in case she dies. In the presence of her sister, Mrs. Annie Robbins Barrett, this understanding was had.

The following members of the Smith family met at Joseph F. Smith's. Joseph F. Smith, Julina, Sarah E., Edna L., Mamie, Donnetta, Joseph Richards, Joseph T., Alvin, David Smith, Leonora Nelson and her husband, John Smith Patriarch, Silas Sanford & Sarah Anne Smith, Samuel H. B. Smith and Wife Julia, Elias A., Edith, Amy, Martha and Sarah S. Smith, Bathsheba, Hannah M. & Susan E. Smith, Elizabeth Cartwright, Clarissa Williams, Maud Lloyd, John Henry, Sarah F., George A., Winslow F. & Nicholas G. Smith.

We organized the Smith Historical and Genealogical Society, Joseph F. Smith, President. Elias A., John, Silas S. and John Henry Directors. Edith Ann was chosen Secretary and Recorder.

Cake and Ice Cream were passed. Short speeches were made by several and a good time was had.

Joseph Smith ordained Silas Sanford Smith a Patriarch.

Saturday, Aug. 28, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I took Josephine with Lucy, Elizabeth, Glen, and Arzella up into City Creek Canyon and spent the day.

Sunday, Aug. 29, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I called at Mrs. Emma Robbins Riggs and learned that she had died during the night.

Monday, Aug. 30, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I took Josephine and the children with my mother out for a Ride in the Park. I attended the funeral of Emma L. Robbins Riggs at 2 p.m. Prest. Angus M. Cannon and I spoke.

Wednesday, Sept. 1, 1897 - Ogden and Salt Lake City

We spent the night at Father Lorin Farr's.

I took Sarah and drove to Enoch Farr Orchard and Vinyard. We had some nice Peaches and Grapes. We also drove up into Ogden Canyon to see the Great Waterfall. It was in fine shape.

By Telegram from Bro. A. H. Lund I was called back to the City.

I met with A. H. Lund, Andrew Jenson, and S. P. Neve and talked over some land troubles between the two latter. I had a very severe attack of sick headache.

Thursday, Sept. 2, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Bro. A. H. Lund and I came to the conclusion we could do nothing in regard to the Jenson [and] Neve matter.

Prest. Wilford Woodruff, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin

D. Richards, George Teasdale, John W. Taylor, A. H. Lund, and I met in the Temple. We had prayers. Bro. John W. Taylor reported his labors in Colorado. G. F. Gibbs was with us.

It was agreed that our people should try and avoid having outsiders settle in their midst.

Monday, Sept. 6, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The afternoon and evening was spent at the Home of the late Judge Elias Smith in the Celebration of his 93 birthday. 240 persons sat down to the tables. The spread was a fine one. A sketch of the judge's life was read by Geo. A. Smith, written by Edith Smith.

President Joseph F. Smith spoke upon the life and character of Elias Smith. Martha Smith Bennett, a sister of Judge Elias Smith and 80 years of age, spoke of her early life and family remenescences.

It was a splendid affair and all went as merry as could be.

Wednesday, Sept. 8, 1897 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah and I went to Mrs. Ellis R. Shipps and spent the evening. I blest four sisters and set them apart as Midwives.

Thursday, Sept. 9, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Geo. Teasdale, and I [met]. Geo. F. Gibbs was with us. General affairs were talked over and a call made for us to talk over who should fill the Council of the Apostles.

Friday, Sept. 10, 1897 - Provo and Salt Lake City

I went to Provo and visited the insane Asylum. Gov. H. M. Wells, James Chepessaun and Morgan Richards, Jr., the Asylum Commission[er]s were investigating the Institution today.

In the evening I met with W. W. Riter, P. H. Lannan, James Sharp, L. S. Hills, Sam H. Hill, T. G. Webber . . . Geo. A. Lowe and Parley L. Williams and we nearly completed a Municipal ticket.

Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I met in the evening James Sharp, P. H. Lannan, W. W. Ritter, L. S. and S. H. Hill, T. G. Webber, John Clark, John T. Caine, P. L. Williams and myself met at the Deseret Bank and talked over a City Ticket.

Wednesday, Sept. 15, 1897 - Salt Lake City

The Non-Partisan Committee met tonight again.

Friday, Sept. 17, 1897 - Shoshone, Idaho

The Porter failed to wake me and I came here, went back to Minnedoka and spent the day reading.

Saturday, Sept. 18, 1897 - Minidoka, Idaho

I am forty-nine years old today. Douglas M. Todd, Matthias F. Cowley, Susa Y. Gates joined me here and a Bro. McBride, having come to meet us, took us to Smith's ranch. A Bro. Hunter took us on to Oakley. Susa Y. Gates and I put up at Bro. Horton D. Haight's.

We attended the Y.W.M.I. association meeting and Bro. D. M. Todd and Susa Y. Gates spoke.

Monday, Sept. 20, 1897 - Oakley, Cassia County, Idaho

We held one meeting today, four hours long. There was 8 speakers.

Wednesday, Sept. 22, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I went through the Temple today. I got endowments for Wm. Quist and had Abigail Libbey sealed to him, H. M. Smith and one acting for them. Mrs. Merrit [?] was sealed to Joseph the Prophet, I representing the Prophet and Martha Sister Merrit.

Sunday, Sept. 26, 1897 - Preston, Idaho

D. M. Todd and I met with the officers of the Y.M.M.I.A. and laid before them the Magazine proposition and the annual fee of fifty cents.

Wednesday, Sept. 29, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I made settlement with the Deseret National Bank today, paying them 60 shares of Z.C.M.I. stock and 20 shares of Coop. W. & M. Co. stock for a debt of seven thousand dollars. I paid the Coop. W. & M. Co. \$47.80, J. C. Critter \$20.00. I gave to Jos. F. Smith to aid in the Emmigration of Mary B. Smith Norman \$10.00.

My son George Albert is very sick.

Thursday, Sept. 30, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, and Anthon H. Lund, with Geo. F. Gibbs and clerk, met at the Temple at 11 a.m.

Heber J. Grant was not able to come.

Matthias S. Cowley and Abraham Owen Woodruff were selected to fill the vacancies in the Council of Apostles.

A letter written some days ago by President Wilford Woodruff to the 12 made the request that his son be appointed one of the Apostles. I drove my family out.

Joseph W. McMurrin was selected to fill the Seventies.

Friday, Oct. 1, 1897 - Salt Lake City

It rained, hailed and blew today and some little sunshine mixed with it.

I had supper at my son Ezra Chase's home. My son George Albert is very sick.

Saturday, Oct. 2, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I paid \$115.00 interest at Zion's Savings bank today.

I drove some of my family out in the evening. George A. is still quite sick.

Sunday, Oct. 3, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon at home. George A. seems better this morning.

My wife Sarah F. and I went to Centerville to attend the funeral of John Chase Jr. Geo. Teasdale, Joseph F. Smith and myself spoke.

Monday, Oct. 4, 1897 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

At 2 p.m. John Nichol森 offered Prayer. I spoke 25 minutes on the observance of the sabbath day. Francis M. Lyman spoke 30 minutes on discharging our duties. Brigham Young spoke 25 minutes on the sabbath day and the living oracles. President Wilford Woodruff spoke 5 minutes on the living oracles as compared with the scriptures.

My son George A. seems to be doing nicely.

Tuesday, Oct. 5, 1897 - Salt Lake City

There is no particular change in George.

The General Authorities of the Church were sustained. M. F. Cowley and Abraham Owen Woodruff were put in the Council of Apostles.

I met with the Non-Partisan Committee. John T. Caine was chosen to manage the campaign.

Wednesday, Oct. 6, 1897 - Salt Lake City

2 p.m. [general conference]

The speakers were Seymour B. Young, Charles W. Penrose, Geo. Q. Cannon and Prest. Wilford Woodruff. The last speaker said he had attended conferences in the lifetime of Joseph Smith, Brigham Young, John Taylor, and his own Presidency but none were better than this.

He also advised the saints not to be wild in politics and in city government to vote for good men.

Thursday, Oct. 7, 1897 - Salt Lake City

President Wilford Woodruff's talk yesterday in Conference has created a sensation in this City.

My son George is very poorly.

The following named brethren met in the Apostles room in the Temple at 2 p.m.: Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman,

John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, and Geo. F. Gibbs as Clerk. Prests. Woodruff, Cannon, and Smith, also Young and Lyman gave some good advice and a charge to our incoming brethren.

Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon was mouth in ordaining Matthias F. Cowley. Prest. Wilford Woodruff was mouth in ordaining his son Abraham O. Woodruff. All of the Presidency and Twelve except Bro. Heber J. Grant had their hands on these brethren's heads.

Friday, Oct. 8, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Martha Smith, daughter of Silas S. Smith, was married today at the Temple by Prest. Jos. F. Smith to Thales Haskell, Jr. Josephine got up a nice supper for them.

Saturday, Oct. 9, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day about the City. Met with the Directors of the Groesbeck Co. and talked over renting part of the building to the Salt Lake Loan and Trust Co. I met with the Non Partisan Committee. I went into the Theatre and witnessed the play of the Hearts of Maryland.

Wednesday, Oct. 13, 1897 - Salt Lake City

All of the Apostles but Bros. Heber J. Grant and M. W. Merrill met at the Temple. Bros. Geo. Teasdale, John W. Taylor, and A. H. Lund spoke.

All of the Presidency met with the Apostles and F. F. Hintze and talked over the Mission to the holy land. It was decided to make settlement in Palestine.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow asked me to speak on the effect of President Wilford Woodruff's sermon on Politics during conference.

Friday, Oct. 15, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I drew a dividend of \$360.00 from Z.C.M.I. I paid interest to Wells Fargo Co. \$315.00. I paid H. J. Grant \$30.92. I paid Charles Johnson \$5.00.

The Directors of the Grant Gold Mining Co. met and agreed to sign a note for \$7,000.00.

Tuesday, Oct. 19, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I signed a note with Jos. F. Smith and others for \$7,450.00 dol. for the Grant Gold Mining Co. today. I paid water tax \$54.80.

Wednesday, Oct. 20, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I signed a note today at the Deseret Savings Bank for \$7,000.00 and they were to take up a note held for like amount by J. E. Dooley with securatities.

[Went to Montana and to Alberta, Canada, for conferences, October 23-November 8.]

Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1897 - Helena, Montana

Frank S. Bramwell, Geo. S. Young, Allen D. Miller, and I called upon Gov. Robert B. Smith and Mayor Steel. They received us kindly. We also met Mr. Hawkins, City Editor on the Independant. We saw Fred G. and Hyrum S. Benson, sons of Apostle Ezra T. Benson.

Thursday, Nov. 11, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Wells Fargo & Co. were paid \$7,000.00 for me by the Deseret Savings Bank and 84 shares of Z.C.M.I. taken as security.

Monday, Nov. 15, 1897 - Manassa, Colorado

I sealed six couples tonight in the vestry of the stake house.

Thursday, Nov. 18, 1897 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, A. H. Lund, Abraham O. Woodruff, and I met in Council at the Temple.

I met with the Directors of Z.C.M.I. and the Coop. W. & M. Co. I also met with third Precinct electors and W. J. Newman and Oscar W. Moyle was nominated for Trustee of the City schools.

Friday, Nov. 19, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I paid Taxes to the amount of \$298.65 today.

Saturday, Nov. 20, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I went to Spanish Fork today and bot overcoats for Winslow, \$12.50 and Nicholas, \$13.65. Pants for Nathaniel, Joseph, \$2.70 and Glen shoes. I returned home in the evening.

Tuesday, Nov. 23, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I was at a meeting of the Grant Gold Mining Co. and we agreed to sell quite an amount of our stock to Brent Wells. Manager B. F. Grant reported matters looking well at the mine. I wrote to Senator C. D. Clark.

Thursday, Nov. 25, 1897 - Salt Lake City [Thanksgiving]

I spent the day between my two homes or at my homes eating Turkey and visiting.

Sarah F. and I attended the opera in the evening.

Wednesday, Dec. 1, 1897 - Salt Lake City

It stormed all day. I went and borrowed from my son George \$586.46 to pay taxes with most of it for Josephine.

I voted for Newman & Moyle at the school election.

Saturday, Dec. 4, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I paid to each of my wives \$20.00 today.

H. J. Grant, Joshua F. Grant, G. T. O'Dell, C. S. Burton, Elias A. Smith and myself met at H. J. Grant's home and talked over the Livery stable note at Zion's Savings Bank for \$11,250.00.

Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Heber J. Grant, Wm. H. Rowe, Geo. T. Odell, Elias A. Smith, J. F. Grant, P. W. Madsen, C. S. Burton and myself met and talked over a Grant Livery note of some \$11,500.00. We reached no conclusion.

Thursday, Dec. 9, 1897 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, and myself of the Apostles met at the Temple.

I am to release Prest. Thos. E. Ricks from the Montana Mission and Appoint F. S. Branwell to Preside. We also agreed to select some few brethren of experience to go to Montana for a few months and labor.

Heber J. Grant, P. W. Madsen, Chas. S. Burton, G. T. Odell, Elias A. Smith and I spent three hours trying to come to some understanding about the Grant Livery note held by the Savings Bank.

Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I telegraphed to U.S. Senator Francis E. Warren at Washington, D.C. I told him George A. Smith had been endorsed by Senator Brown and state committee [for postmaster of Salt Lake City].

Wednesday, Dec. 15, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Geo. Teasdale, S. B. Young, J. G. Kimball and I set apart 21 Elders and one sister to Missions.

I wrote to Senator F. E. Warren. My son Geo. A. Smith received an endorsement from Arthur Brown and the state Committee. I went to Ogden and telegraphed Arthur Brown's endorsement to the Post Master General. I spent the night at Esther Farr's.

Thursday, Dec. 16, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I returned to the City and Met with Presidents Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, & Jos. F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, and Myself, with G. F. Gibbs as clerk in the Temple. It was agreed by all present the sealings done outside of the Temple should stand and children born after these sealings should be held as born under the Covenant. If persons so sealed visited the Temple to get their endowments their sealings might be renewed over the Altar.

I attended the Directors Meetings of Z.C.M.I. and Coop. W. & M. Co.

Friday, Dec. 17, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I met Mons Peterson today. He told me that he had paid off the Taylor Judgement on the farm at Moab. I had a long talk with his wife over his family troubles.

Thursday, Dec. 23, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Presidents W. Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor and I met in the Apostles' Room in the Temple. Geo. F. Gibbs, the clerk, was present also. H. J. Grant's financial condition was talked over but no conclusion was reached as to what should be done.

When the Presidency and G. F. Gibbs withdrew, the Apostles present passed a resolution recommending to the Trustee in Trust [that] all other legitimate means failing the Church should meet the request of Bro. H. J. Grant.³

We talked over the Question of a two Million dollar loan that the Presidency were talking of trying to secure and the Question of the Agent to be used in making a long loan. Some of us objected to F. J. Cannon being the agent.

Services commemorating the birth of Joseph Smith the Prophet were held in the 16th Ward.

Friday, Dec. 24, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I got eighty dollars from James Jack to pay to Judge Howat interest on note in my name but owed by the Church.

I called upon Prest. Joseph F. Smith and talked over the financial condition of the church. The church is in debt about two million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. I was at the Groesbeck Co. office part of the day.

Saturday, Dec. 25, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day with my family. I ate dinner at Sarah's. I received the following from President Lorenzo Snow.

Dec. 25, 1897

Apostle John Henry Smith

Dear Brother.

Will it be possible for you to meet with myself and others on matters of Importance Sunday noon. At No. 37 Canyon Road. Respectfully.

Lorenzo Snow

I answered I would do so with pleasure.

³ Apparently the request by Heber J. Grant was for church endorsement of a loan to him in order to save interest costs, a request George Q. Cannon opposed. See Heber J. Grant diary, December 22 and 23, 1897.

My son Geo. A. had a nice Christmas tree with Santa Claus who distributed a lot of presents to the children of the neighborhood.

Sunday, Dec. 26, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Heber J. Grant and I called at Brigham Young's home. We had a long talk over the financial condition of the Church. We also determined to insist that under existing conditions that the Councilors of the President must consult the apostles on leading questions.

Monday, Dec. 27, 1897 - Salt Lake City

Judge F. M. Bishop called upon me tonight and showed me a letter from the Secretary of the interior in which he said that he had been requested to ascertain whether Geo. A. Smith would accept the appointment of Receiver of the Land Office.

Geo. A. Smith received the following today.

Washington D. C. Dec. 21st 97.

Mr. Geo. A. Smith
123 West N[orth]. T[emple]. Street
Salt Lake City, Utah

My Dear Sir:

I am much obliged to you for your letter of the 16th inst. From which I learn here your suspicions regarding the change of base are Correct.

With kindest regards to your Father and yourself I am, very truly yours.

Francis E. Warren

Tuesday, Dec. 28, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I was looking after some of my own affairs during most of the day. Judge Bishop [says] he has a letter from the Secretary of the Interior, C. N. Bliss.

Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1897 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day with Judge Bishop. He read a letter to me from Bliss in which he said Geo. A. Smith can have Receiver of Public moneys, A. L. Thomas Post office, that this letter was written by request of another party.

I believe A. L. Thomas inspired that letter, although the President may have done so.

On the latter supposition I told Bishop he might say the Post office being out of his reach he would accept Receivership. Bishop telegraphed we were willing for the change.

Esther, My son Don Carlos's wife, gave birth to a 12 lb. son today at 12:45 p.m., both doing nicely.

Friday, Dec. 31, 1897 - Salt Lake City

It is a most lovely day. I drove over Jordan some six miles to a Bro. Baldwin's to hire a young lady to do house work for Josephine.

Esther and baby are doing very nicely. Sarah A. has a sore throat. Lucy, Bessie, Glen and Arzella has bad coughs. The two young has whooping cough sure.

Sarah Ellen Richards Smith is very sick. I have lost none of my children during this year. My son Winslow was dangerously sick with apendacitis. My wife Sarah Farr has been quite poorly in health. My financial condition is not at all satisfactory. I have run behind about three thousand dollars.

Saturday, Jan. 1, 1898 - Salt Lake City

It is a beautifull day. I spent my time between my two homes.

Monday, Jan. 3, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I was at Josephine's most of the day. At 8:45 she gave birth to a daughter.

Tuesday, Jan. 4, 1898 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor and Abraham O. Woodruff met in the Apostles' room of the Temple. We spent the day talking over the Relative positions of the first Presidency and Twelve Apostles on all great questions in the Church. All spoke and gave their views.

Wednesday, Jan. 5, 1898, Salt Lake City

Josephine my wife is suffering from sciatica. She passed a bad night.

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, and Abraham O. Woodruff met in the Temple and after singing and prayer. We continued our conversations on various subjects.

Most of the day was used and great freedom was exercised by all present in talking their views.

I met with Y.M.M.I.A. board at Heber J. Grant's in the evening. The Improvement Era [magazine] is making fine head way.

Thursday, Jan. 6, 1898 - Salt Lake City

All of the Apostles but F. M. Lyman, Anthon H. Lund, and M. F. Cowley met at the Temple at 10:30 a.m. At 11 a.m. all of the first Presidency came in. President Lorenzo Snow asked the Presidency as to the duties of the Apostles in Connection with the Presidency in the financial affairs of the Church. All of the Apostles present spoke very plain and Elder Brigham Young made a very sweeping statement in which he said president Geo. Q. Cannon was the cause of the great indebtedness of the Church.

All three of the Presidency said it was their view that the two Quorums should be united in the consideration of the more weighty problems that affect the whole Church. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon felt very much hurt over the remarks of Elders Brigham Young and Heber J. Grant.

Friday, Jan. 7, 1898 - Salt Lake City

My wife Josephine passed a very bad night.

All of the first Presidency and all of the Apostles but F. M. Lyman, A. H. Lund, and M. F. Cowley met at 12 noon in the Apostles' room in the Temple.

After some explanations of yesterday[s] sayings, Prest. Franklin D. Richards moved we forgive each other for Harsh words spoken and that we partake of the sacrament. President Joseph F. Smith seconded the motion and said it now being about to be determined by vote of the joint Councils of the presidency and Twelve that they shall act together upon all questions of great moment to the Church, he felt to ad his hearty endorsement of this action.

The vote was unanimous. We partook of the Sacrament together.

After the Presidency withdrew, President Lorenzo Snow said, brethren the Lord approves of our action and in the future the Quorums will understand each other better.

Elders F. D. Richards, Brigham Young, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, and Abraham O. Woodruff bore testimony.

Monday, Jan. 10, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The Groesbeck Co. stockholders met today and heard the reports and Reelected the old board.

We now have a little over six Thousand dollars in the Treasury of the Groesbeck Co.

Tuesday, Jan. 11, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Directors meetings of H. J. Grant & Co. and the Home Fire Insurance Co.

I paid our shoemaker a bill of nine dollars. I spent most of the evening at Josephine's. She is still quite poorley. Our baby is eight days old today. I blest her and gave her the name of Josephine.

Thursday, Jan. 13, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Myself, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, and Abraham O. Woodruff with Geo. F. Gibbs as Clerk met in Council.

It was voted by the Council the Church purchase Bro. H. J. Grant's interest in the Salt Lake Theatre.

Friday, Jan. 14, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at Josephine's. She is still very bad with her leg. Glen is mending of his Cough. Arzella is still quite poorly.

Saturday, Jan. 15, 1898 - Provo

I went to Provo and attended the stake conference. At the Priesthood meeting in the evening the brethren donated an amount sufficient to pay of the ballance due on the stake tabernacle.

I spoke a short time. I spent the night at Prest. Reed Smoot's.

Sunday, Jan. 16, 1898 - Provo

B. H. Roberts and Reed Smoot and Edward Partridge did the speaking. Dr. Iliff of the Methodist Church had a seat with us on the stand.

Wednesday, Jan. 19, 1898 - Salt Lake City

My son Winslow F. Smith is seventeen years old today. He had a nice little company to dinner with him. They had a pleasant time. I met with the Y.M.M.I.A. board. The effort being made to send free the Improvement Era to all of the Elders in the field as missionaries is proving more successful than could have been expected. The brethren have responded nobly.

Thursday, Jan. 20, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Josephine had a bad night.

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met and heard monthly reports. Geo. Romney and I went through the stock of the Coop. W. & M. Co. in the City yard and found it in good shape. Our yearly report shows the net earnings of the company to be \$54,400.00 for the year 1897.

Sunday, Jan. 23, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Josephine is still quite poorly. B. H. Roberts spoke [at] the Tabernacle today. I met with my prayer Circle today.

Dr. Jas. E. Talmage gave a lecture with stereoscopic views in the Tabernacle tonight on Russia. Eight thousand people present at ten cents apeice. It was very interesting.

Monday, Jan. 24, 1898 - Salt Lake City

At 9:30 a.m. today Andrew Kimball and I took train for Pueblo, Colorado. The day passed pleasantly in conversation with several persons.

Wednesday, Jan. 26, 1898 - Pueblo, Colorado

It was 16 below zero here this morning. We took train at 7 a.m. for El Moro of the Rio Grande R. R. We went to Trinidad and after a short wait we went on to the westbound Santa Fe train.

A Mr. Wigham, an agent of the owners of the land known as the Maxwell Grant in New Mexico, made me an offer of one hundred thousand

acres of land at 5 per acre with water for 60 thousand Acres and most of the ditches for that amount already made.

Friday, Jan. 28, 1898 - Bowie, Chochise County, Arizona

I went to Bp. Samuel Clarrige's to make my home. Bro. John W. Taylor and Andrew Kimball put up with Bro. Charles Layton. We all called upon President Christopher Layton. He looks very bad indeed. He is being kept alive with Morphine.

Saturday, Jan. 29, 1898 - Thatcher, Arizona

It is foggy and quite Muddy. Myself and John W. Taylor and Andrew Kimball spent a short time talking over the situation here with Prest. C. Layton.

At 10 a.m. the monthly meeting of the Priesthood convened.

The letter of the first Presidency to Bro. Christopher Layton informing him that his resignation had been accepted and that Andrew Kimball had been selected to fill his place [was read].

Apostle John W. Taylor moved that the resignation of Bro. Christopher Layton be received and that he be honorably released and that the High Council and all stake and ward organizations be dissolved. It was carried unanimously, and on motion of Bp. Samuel Clarridge the nomination of Andrew Kimball by the Presidency as president of the St. Joseph Stake was unanimously sustained.

Sunday, Jan. 30, 1898 - Thatcher

At 10:30 a.m. the Stake Conference convened. Prest. Wm. D. Johnson called the meeting [to] order. After Singing, Prayer and Singing, President Johnson offered some words of Welcome.

I then submitted the action of the Presidency and Twelve in regard to President Christopher Layton, and of the action taken in the Priesthood meeting on Saturday in which all of the Stake and Ward organizations were dissolved. The Saints sustained our action. I paid to President Christopher Layton a tribute of respect for his devotion and labors performed in the work of the Lord.

The Priesthood came together and we presented the selections we had made and they were unanimously received and sustained. [ward and stake officers listed]

Monday, Jan. 31, 1898 - Thatcher

Conference convened at 10 a.m.

Elder John W. Taylor made a ringing address on our duties to our families and on the sacredness of the doctrine of the Eternity of the Marriage Covenant, including the Plurality of Wives. He told the brethren to do their full duty to their wives but that man could not take any more wives in the

plural order. I followed him and bore Testimony but said he had given pretty strong emphasis in the language he used. Benediction.

I sealed nineteen couples after the afternoon meeting. [names listed]

Tuesday, Feb. 1, 1898 - Thatcher

John W. Taylor and I called at the residence of Christopher Layton and I was mouth in ordaining him a Patriarch.

Wednesday, Feb. 2, 1898 - Thatcher and Franklin, Arizona

John W. Taylor, Andrew Kimball, Wm. D. Johnson, Charles M. Layton, Joseph G. Alred and E. M. Curtis and Myself left Thatcher in three vehicles with 6 horses. At Layton Heber Chase Layton joined us to go to Franklin.

Along this road were at different places monuments which give notice to the Traveller that nine persons have been murdered, either by Indians or bad white men.

Saturday, Feb. 12, 1898 - Mesa, Arizona

I met with several of the brethren at the meeting house and talked over the organization of a company to try and save some of the mortgaged of our brethren.

Sunday, Feb. 13, 1898 - Mesa, Arizona [stake conference]

It is a lovely day. The birds are singing sweetly.

We met with the Presidency and high Council in the Circle room and made an examination of the brethren and found three that were using Tobacco.

Monday, Feb. 21, 1898 - Snowflake, Arizona

The afternoon Services of Dr. J. S. Woolford's child was held in the stake Tabernacle. Jos. H. Richards, John W. Taylor, Jesse N. Smith and I spoke on the condition of little children and the effect of Jesus Christ Attonment.

Tuesday, Feb. 22, 1898 - Snowflake, Arizona

It is a lovely day. John W. Taylor and I had breakfast with James Pierce. We met at a high Council meeting and both spoke at length on Keeping our daughters at home.

Wednesday, Feb. 23, 1898 - Snowflake, Arizona

We administered to five persons during the morning hour. I wrote letters to my sons Winslow and Nicholas.

Prest. Jesse N. Smith and Wife Emma W., John W. Taylor and myself had dinner at Bp. John Hunt's. Jesse N. Smith, Silas T. Smith and I went to Shumway. Charles Shumway was born August 1st, 1806, Oxford, Worcester Co., Mass. He has four wives, 37 children and over one hundred

grand children. I ordained him a Patriarch. He is very feable and his mind is clear only a portion of the time.

Sunday, March 6, 1898 - Colonia Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico

It is a beautifull day. It is fast day.

At 2 p.m. we convened in fast meeting. Several persons were confirmed and some children were blest.

Meeting at 7:30 p.m. Bro. John W. Taylor spoke one hour on polygamy. John W. Taylor sealed Mary L. Walser to Charles Whipple. Witnesses Henry Eyring and John J. Walser.

Wednesday, March 9, 1898 - Colonia Peachaeo, Chihuahua, Mexico

We drove to Colonia Garcia. We visited the place where Sister Agnes McDonald was killed by Mexicans.

We held a priesthood meeting and it was voted to organize a ward to be called the Colonia Garcia Ward.

Friday, March 11, 1898 - Colonia Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico

We have made our home with Bro. Henry Eyring.

Helaman Pratt and Ernest L. Taylor went with us on to Colonia Dublan. We put up at Bro. Helaman Pratt's. John W. Taylor is quite poorly.

John W. Taylor sealed Dora Pratt to Anson B. Call. The witnesses were Helaman Pratt and Ernest L. Taylor.

Sunday, March 20, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I attended the funeral of Bp. Elias Morris at the large Tabernacle.

The large Tabernacle was filled [with people] from all sections of our Community

I met with my prayer circle in the Temple at four p.m.

Monday, March 21, 1898 - Salt Lake City

It snowed most all day. I collected dividends and wages from Coop. W. & M. Co. \$160.00. I collected \$17.00 from Coop. F. Co. and paid it them on account.

I turned over to Geo. Reynolds names and sealings I had attended to in the south.

Tuesday, March 22, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Executive board of the Coop. W. & M. Co. We decided not to raise the wages of the men. We also concluded to sell out the Logan branch.

Thursday, March 24, 1898 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Matthias F. Cowley, and Abraham

O. Woodruff of the Apostles met at the Temple. I made a report of my labors in the south.

I asked the brethren for the priveledge of working to make myself a United States Senator. Joseph F. Smith moved I be allowed to make the effort. It was seconded by Lorenzo Snow and carried unanimously.

Myself and Matthias F. Cowley were appointed to go to the Baker City Conference. We left at 5:45 p.m. Some Dozen Elders were on the train going [to] the Oregon and Montana Missions.

Sunday, March 27, 1898 - Baker, Oregon [conference]

7:30 p.m. I spoke 1:20 m. on the falacy of nonbelief. Matthias F. Cowley bore witness to the truth of the Book of Mormon.

We had a large attendance of strangers.

I went home with David Eccles.

Tuesday, March 29, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I found all well at home.

At 10 a.m. Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, Matthias F. Cowley, and Abraham O. Woodruff met in council at the Temple.

We held two meetings during the day and Lorenzo Snow, Abraham O. Woodruff, Matthias F. Cowley, Marriner W. Merrill, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor and George Teasdale [spoke]. I spoke a few moments. Presidents Geo. Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith joined us and the condition of the Loan and Trust bank was talked over. It was voted to do all we could to save it from failure.

The Superintendent and Executive committee of Z.C.M.I. and Wm. Williams and Myself and O. H. Pettit of the Coop. F. Company met and agreed the Z.C.M.I. should pay \$200.00 towards the wall in the Young building just south of Z.C.M.I. and We to arrange for light to be admitted to the Z.C.M.I. office.

I had a short visit with Mr. Mons Petersen and talked over his business matters and what he could do to redeem his farm at Moab.

Thursday, March 31, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I paid Zions Savings Bank and T. Co. \$100.00. Twenty five dollars was put into my hands to buy food for the family of S. H. B. Smith. It was in G.T.O. orders.

Friday, April 1, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at the President's office setting apart Elders at the Temple and at a meeting of the Directors of the Groesbeck Co. I sent to S. H. B. Smith by order of President W. Woodruff three hundred pounds of

flour, ten pounds of Pork and 1/2 ton of baled Lucern hay. Cost of it all \$12.75.

I went out to the hot springs and took a bath.

I got from James Jack pr. D. Mc. G.T.O. orders \$100.00. Cash \$100.00. I paid Josephine \$60.00, \$20.00 of it cash, and Sarah the same.

Saturday, April 2, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Archibald Freebairn baptised my daughter Elizabeth today at the Tabernacle. I paid Dr. Jos. H. Richards \$20.00 on account today.

My sons had our horses shod an[d] it cost \$2.00. They also oiled our harness.

Sunday, April 3, 1898 - Salt Lake City

President Lorenzo Snow is 84 years of age today. A fast meeting was held by the Temple workers at nine a.m. and many bore testimony. A good spirit was present. At the close of the services, Bp. John R. Winder in behalf of the Temple Workers presented a beautiful bouquet to Prest. L. Snow. He made a neat speech, to which Prest. L. Snow responded. The Bouquet was of white flowers. Three large lillies represented the first presidency. Twelve White Roses the Apostles. Seventy white cornelilans the Seventies, and a base of many white flowers representative of the great body of Saints.

It is snowing today.

Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon and I testified we had seen the Saviour at the Temple meeting this morning.

Monday, April 4, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Twenty one years ago today Josephine Groesbeck was sealed to me by Prest. Joseph F. Smith at St. George. She is now the mother of eight children. Three sons and five daughters.

Tuesday, April 5, 1898 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and some of the Apostles and presiding Bishopric met at the Presidents' office and talked over the Canadian land and water matter.

At a meeting of the Stockholders of Z.C.M.I. the annual statement was read and all of the old board of Directors was reelected.

At 3 p.m. the brethren who had met on Canadian land and water matters met again and modified a proposition made by Mr. Gault.

A vote was made or taken that a number of the item[s] be changed or we decline to accept their offers.

I was at the Groesbeck office a short time.

[General conference held April 6-10.]

Saturday, April 9, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Lorenzo Snow spoke [on] Temple work and the aiding the Labor with their means. Prest. Joseph F. Smith and Wilford Woodruff made remarks on the missionary work being done. F. M. Lyman and Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon, Wilford Woodruff spoke about the indebtedness of the Church and of the people.

2 p.m.

Bp. Wm. B. Preston made some financial reports. Wm. Crane, Hyrum M. Smith, Thomas Bailey, G. W. McCune, a committee from the British Mission, asked for means to rent or build meeting houses in the large Cities of the British Mission.

Bishop Leonard G. Hardy and Frank Y. Taylor [spoke] on the completion and payment of the Brigham Young monument. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon told the people that a chance was being opened for some of the Saints to get land by work and money to live while doing the work in building Canada. Prest. Joseph F. Smith endorsed what had been said by former speakers. Prest. Reed Smoot made an explanation of the doings of the Jubilee Committee.

Wednesday, April 13, 1898 - Salt Lake City

We set apart Eighteen Elders for missions at the Annex of the Temple today. Francis M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, Seymour B. Young, C. D. Fjeldsted, B. H. Roberts, J. Golden Kimball and myself took part.

The Directors of Heber J. Grant & Co. met and talked over the Insurance business.

The Y.M.M.I.A. board met at President's office and talked over the Conference business.

Thursday, April 14, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The day is superb. I drove to Beck's hot springs and had a bath.

The Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. met at 3 p.m. and heard monthly reports. I drew dividend from Z.C.M.I. \$360.00. I paid interest at Deseret Savings bank \$227.32, Tithing \$30.00. I paid Cutler Bros. on account \$30.00. I bot seven apple trees. I paid shoemaker bill \$2.70. I took a drive out to the Park.

Friday, April 15, 1898 - Salt Lake City

It is Arbor day and many trees are being planted. I put out seven appel trees. Melba and her company, assisted by the Choir, gave a concert in the Tabernacle tonight. Judges of Music say it was very fine.

Saturday, April 16, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Myself and son plowed up some ground and planted twenty one

trees and put in some grass. I have 16 appel trees, 2 Pear, 2 cherries, 2 plumbs, 2 prunes, 5 Peachtrees and hope they will do well.

Sunday, April 17, 1898 - Provo

I went to Provo today in company with Prest. Joseph F. Smith to attend the Utah Stake Quarterly Conference.

Conference convened at 10 a.m. Prest. Edward Partridge and Councilors presiding. The new Tabernacle is nicely finished and it was filled with people and an overflow meeting was held in the old building. After singing, Prayer and singing, Prest. Edward Partridge spoke a few moments. Councilor Reid Smoot made a report of the work done to complete the building and the generous manner in which the people had responded in labor and means. A number of men not in the church had given ready aid.

Monday, April 18, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Received the following from John NicholSEN, Recorder in the S.L. Temple.

Silas Smith, Aug. 1779 annointed 3 May 1877, St. George.

Mary Aikens Smith, 13 August, 1797 annointed 15 Jan, 1846, Nauvoo, Ill.

Ruth Stevens, 1st wife, no Record of annointings.

I spent most of the afternoon looking about the Property of the Groesbeck Co. I planted 2 apricot and one apel tree today.

Wednesday, April 20, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The General boards of the Y.M.M.I.A. and Y.L.M.I.A. met and talked over Conference matters, having a party and other labors.

Thursday, April 21, 1898 - Salt Lake City

It rained most of the night and part of the forenoon.

The Directors of the Salt Lake Theatre Co., H. J. Grant, Heber M. Wells, Chas. S. Burton, and [myself] met at the state Bank. Charles S. Burton Resigned as President and Manager and Heber J. Grant was elected President, Charles S. Burton as Vice President and Geo. D. Pyper, Manager.

At 11 a.m. Presidents Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith, Apostles Lorenzo Snow, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Matthias F. Cowley, & Abraham O. Woodruff met in Council at the Temple. We talked over the question of Conferences, of the condition of Moses Thatcher and sundry other items.

I received from Timothy Gilbert a check on the Alamosa, Colorado bank for \$595.00.

Friday, April 22, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Twenty Elders and three sisters were set apart for missions at the

Temple today by George Teasdale, Abraham Owen Woodruff, Seymour B. Young, Brigham H. Roberts, J. Golden Kimball and myself.

I paid Zions Savings bank today five hundred dollars in Interest account.

Thursday, April 28, 1898 - Salt Lake City

All of the Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met at the Company office and transacted business, According to the published notice. The Stockholders met and Reduced the Stock to \$150,000.00.

The Wasatch building is being fully overhauled.

Saturday, April 30, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I drove up to the Beck's hot spring and had a bath.

I got from James Jack G.T.O. orders \$100.00 and cash \$100.00. I paid Sarah F. Cash \$20.00 and orders \$40.00 and the same to Josephine.

Monday, May 2, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Admiral Dewey has annihilated the Spanish Squodrun before Manila in the Phililppine Islands.⁴

My wife Sarah F. is laid up with Rhumatism.

Wednesday, May 4, 1898 - Salt Lake City

It continued to storm most of the day. My sons Winslow, Nicholas, Nathaniel, and Joseph H. Plowed part of our lot. I bot a new plow today and paid \$5.00 for it. The Y.M.M.I.A. and Y.L.M.I.A. boards met at President Wilford Woodruff's office. We talked over our joint Conference and arranged to have a ball and give Ice cream and Cake.

Thursday, May 5, 1898 - Salt Lake City

It is quite pleasant today. I went out to Beck's hot springs and took a bath.

All of the Presidency and Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Matthias F. Cowley, and Abraham O. Woodruff met in Council at Temple.

We talked over the question of admitting people who do drink tea and Coffee to the Temple.

Six young men from Davis Co. who had enlisted were blest by Brigham Young, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Matthias F. Cowley, and Abraham O. Woodruff. Forty eight years ago today the Endowment house was opened.

⁴For the reaction of the LDS church to the Spanish-American War, see D. Michael Quinn, "The Mormon Church and the Spanish American War: An End to Selective Pacifism," *Dialogue: A Journal of Mormon Thought* 17 (Winter 1984): 11-30.

Sunday, May 8, 1898 - Coalville [stake conference]

During the noon hour the Presidency of the Stake, seven members of the High Council, and Abraham O. Woodruff and Myself and other brethren met at Prest. W. W. Cluff house and talked some business.

The High Council seconded an action they had taken a[t] a former meeting in making a direct tax upon some of the brethren to aid the church academy.

Tuesday, May 10, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I received the following 12:20 a.m.

Washington, D. C. May 9, 1898

Hon. John Henry Smith

Please wire your friends in the Senate immediately to Endorse at once to the Secretary of War Willard Young for Colonelcy in Brigade of Engineers. Make the request urgent and ask them [to] make their endorsement in form of imperative demand.

Frank J. Cannon

I wired Senators F. E. Warren, C. D. Clark, G. L. Shoup, Ed Wolcott and Proctor.

Please make imperative demand on Secretary of War to appoint Willard Young for Colonelcy in Brigade of Engineers. Matter extremely urgent. John Henry Smith.

I sent the following to Senator F. J. Cannon, Washington, D.C.

Have Telegraphed Shoup, Warren, Clark, Wolcott and Proctor. May Willard succeed. John Henry Smith.

I ordained Homer Brown a seventy and blest him and set him apart to be a soldier for his country.

I drove my family up to Camp Douglas and we saw the new volunteers being drilled.

Wednesday, May 11, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I signed telegrams to U.S. Senators Geo. L. Shoup, C. D. Clark, Francis E. Warren, Ed Wolcott in favor of the appointment of John Q. Cannon for a Colonelcy in the rough Riders.

Thursday, May 12, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I surrendered 2047 shares of Groesbeck Co. old stock and am to take the new.

I had a short visit with Prest. Lorenzo Snow and we talked over in a frank way the financial condition of the church and what we would do as to having an understanding with the presidency in regard to those affairs.

Tuesday, May 17, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I found all well at home. I found the following telegram.

Washington, D.C. May 13, 98
John Henry Smith

Secretary promises that Capt. Young shall be made Colonel in engineer brigade for which I am very glad. Congratulations.

Redfield Proctor

I had short letters from Senators Jos. L. Rawlins, Geo. L. Shoup, and Private Secretary of Francis E. Warren.

Wednesday, May 18, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Today I ordained William Hartlett Leaver and George L. Weiler Elders and set them apart as Missionaries among their companions in arms, as the[y] have volunteered for the war and are to go to the Philippine Islands.

A joint meeting was held at Prest. Wilford Woodruff's office of the Y.M.M.I.A. and Y.L.M.I.A. boards.

Thursday, May 19, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Presidents Wilford Woodruff and Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Matthias F. Cowley and Abraham O. Woodruff met in Council at the Temple.

It was decided for us to organize a stake in Wyoming if we can bring the elements. I was chosen to do this labor, Matthias F. Cowley and Abraham O. Woodruff to assist me. Randolph, Woodruff, Almy, Evanston and Bridger to compose the stake.

I have paid \$1,250.00 Sugar note, \$639.13 on Minning Stock. I paid \$100.00 tithing.

Friday, May 20, 1898 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah and I went to Spanish Fork. The Coop. Store there has declared its annual dividend. Mine was \$298.75. I paid \$30 tithing, our old account of \$13.82. I paid Sarah F. in goods \$72.57 and Josephine \$76.55 in the same. I spent for my mother for a bed room set \$10.00, dress pattern \$6.60. Myself Hat \$2.65. Still due me \$86.35. We returned home.

Our troops moved out today. It was a regular gala day for the people.

Saturday, May 21, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I hoed in the garden a short time this morning. I went out to the hot springs and had a bath. I received a letter from Ira Parkin, Treas. of the Sarnac Glove Co., requesting me to investigate the failure of the Wm. P. Noble Mercantile Co. I spent part of the day trying to learn something but failed. I went with Josephine to the Theatre in the evening.

Tuesday, May 24, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Heber J. Grant paid \$360.00 for me.

I am having a place put in repair near Josephine's.

Wednesday, May 25, 1898 - Salt Lake City

It is quite pleasant this morning. I worked in the garden picking up rocks with the children.

My wife Sarah and I, upon invitation of Governor Heber M. Wells, went to Ogden to meet Major General Wesley Merritt on his way west to take command of the American troops going to Philippine Islands. He is a fine specimen of a man. All of our party was introduced to him.

In the evening I met with the boards of the Improvement associations. We assessed each Male member four dollars to help pay for the entertainment of our incoming friends.

Friday, May 27, 1898 - Salt Lake City

It stormed some today. The men are working on my house. I spent a large share of the day looking after the work.

I signed forty certificates at the Groesbeck Co. offices today of that Company's new series.

Saturday, May 28, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I am suffering from neuralgia in my face. Most of the day was spent by me looking after my building.

I paid Asper Wool & Co. one hundred dollars in gold this evening.

Sunday, May 29, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I was nearly wild with my face aching during the forenoon and could not attend the joint Conference of the Improvement associations. I went in the afternoon.

Tuesday, May 31, 1898 - Salt Lake City [Y.M.M.I.A. conference]

The following telegram was read:

Washington, D. C., May 31st 98

Hon. John Henry Smith, Salt Lake City, Utah

Willard Young nominated Colonel Engineers today.

F. E. Warren

Brigham H. Roberts moved that we telegraph congratulations, which was done.

President Wilford Woodruff spoke a short time and told us that Prest. Joseph Smith laid the responsibility of learning of the Kingdom on the 12. The[n] he introduced the Endowments and sealing ordinances and the

Doctrine of a plurality of wives. Prest. Joseph F. Smith backed up these statement[s], and others spoke at some length.

We had a grand sociable at Christensen's Hall in the evening, singing, speaking, and dancing. Prest. Wilford Woodruff was with us.

Friday, June 3, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I wrote letters today to U. S. Senators Redfield Proctor, F. E. Warren, C. D. Clark, E. O. Wolcott, and Geo. L. Shoupe.

Most of the day was spent in working with my sons on the little house.

Sunday, June 5, 1898 - Almy, Uinta County, Wyoming

We held a Priesthood meeting in the evening.

Prayer by Charles Kingston. We selected a list of names from which to make up our stake officers. They were thoroughly investigated as to their faith and habits. John M. Baxter was the choice for President, Byron Sessions for first Councillor, and Charles Kingston for second Councillor.

Friday, June 10, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and decided to furnish the Wasatch and run it as a hotel. The building is in good fix. .

I set apart Ben E. Rich to preside over the Southern States Mission today and six other Elders were set apart by M. F. Cowley and A. O. Woodruff.

Matthias F. Cowley and I left for Montana at 9:45 p.m.

Friday, June 24, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon at the Groesbeck Co. offices. The hotel is to be called the "Kenyon."

Monday, June 27, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed a horse and wagon of Bro. McHenry and a horse of the Coop. F. Co. in order that I might take my family to attend the joint birthday gatherings of Father and Mother. I took two teams.

Tuesday, June 28, 1898 - Provo

I drove with two teams to Provo. With Josephine's baby we had 13 persons in all. It was a very hot day.

I put up at Joseph Cheevers.

Wednesday, June 29, 1898 - Provo

The day is very hot.

At 4 p.m. we met in the fourth ward meeting house. There were about one hundred souls. There was some singing and talking.

We had a splendid dinner and all seemed to enjoy themselves first class.

We invited all to meet us at Aunt Susan. June 26th 1899 at 7 p.m.

All felt well. Among the speakers were Edward Partridge, Joseph F. Smith, William Strong, Bathsheba Smith, and myself and Elias A. Smith and Geo. W. Gee.

Thursday, June 30, 1898 - Salt Lake City

We drove home to Salt Lake City. It was quite cool.

Sunday, July 3, 1898 - Davis County

My wife Josephine and I went up to West Layton and had a visit at Jesse M. Smith's. Judge Elias A. Smith was along.

Jesse M. Smith took us in his carriage to Kaysville, where we called upon Christopher Layton and administered to him. He has had an operation performed and fifteen stones removed from his bladder.

The American fleet under Admiral Sampson destroyed the Spanish fleet under Corvera at Santiago Cuba today.

Wednesday, July 6, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The old folks are at the Lagoon [resort] at Farmington for a short time today. My wife and I went up there for an hour.

The hotel Kenyon opened for business tonight.

Tuesday, July 12, 1898 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the members of the Council of the Apostles but John W. Taylor met in the Temple and the day was spent in considering the financial condition of the Church. All spoke who were present but Matthias F. Cowley. A most excelent spirit was present with us.

Wednesday, July 20, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Heber J. Grant, T. R. Cutler, John Henry Smith, T. G. Webber, Elias A. Smith, Jesse W. Fox, and Geo. M. Cannon of Cannon, Grant & Co. met at 10 a.m.

We adopted on my motion a Committee report asking the Trustee [of the church] to save our Company from failure.

We all agreed the chairman should present the matter to the Trustee in Trust and that all of us would sign the petition.

[Went south with several Y.M.M.I.A. and Y.L.M.I.A. board members, including Susa Young Gates, for meetings.]

Saturday, July 23, 1898 - Panguitch Lake, Garfield County

The President of the Y.M.M.I.A. and Y.L.M.I.A. with myself,

E. H. Snow, Heppler and Thos Hull and Susa Y. Gates of the general boards were just meeting for consultation when Bro. Thos. Hull received the following startling Telegram

Provo, July 4, 1898

Thomas Hull
Panguitch via Parowan

Beulah Gates [daughter of Susa Gates] was accidentally shot and Killed by her Brother. Use your Judgment about breaking news.

J. B. Keller

We told our sister and her young daughter Lula Gates their great trouble. Bro. Thos. Hull and I blest them. Prest. Jesse Crosby provided a team and in company with Bro. Heber Sharp left for the terminous of the R.G. Western R.R.

Friday, July 29, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and Lorenzo Snow, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, with Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, and Anthon H. Lund and Senator Frank J., Cannon met and agreed to bond the church for one Million and a half of dollars in the east. F. J. Cannon to be the agent of the church.

My Wife Josephine and I went to Saltair. I got of J. Jack G.T.O. orders today \$50.00.

Tuesday, Aug. 2, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I took Josephine and children up into City Creek Canyon and spent the afternoon.

Quite a number of the brethren met and had a little talk over the questions of our brethren taking a part in politics in their various parties as they may see fit.

Wednesday, Aug. 3, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I bot a Typewriter of H. J. Grant today and paid \$27.00 for it.

Thursday, Aug. 4, 1898 - Salt Lake City

All of the first Presidency And Apostles Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, and Abraham O. Woodruff with Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met. It was unanimously voted to sustain Prest. Wilford Woodruff in his action of releaving Cannon Grant & Co. of their load at the Zions Saving bank.

Our brethren engaging in political work was talked over.

Saturday, Aug. 6, 1898 - Salt Lake City and Price

Anthon H. Lund and I took train for Price, Carbon Co. Councillor

Orange Seely of Castle Dale met us and we read to him a charge that Clarence Marsh had made against the Bishopric and Saints of Price Ward. We called in the Bishop, Ernest Horsely, and Councillors Albert Brainer and H. G. Mathews and we talked over the complaint. We came to the conclusion it was without foundation in fact.

Sunday, Aug. 7, 1898 - Price

We met Bros. G. G. Fransden, C. W. Allred and L. M. Olsen and had a talk over the charges made by Mr. Clarence Marsh against the Bishopric and people of Price City. None of these brethren seemed to know of anything improper in the conduct of the authorities or people. There is some trouble over the control of the Canal and a suit is pending in Court. There seems also to be some political jealousy existing.

Wednesday, Aug. 10, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon in visiting the various business houses where I am President or Director.

Thursday, Aug. 11, 1898 - Salt Lake City

All of the first Presidency and Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Matthias F. Cowley, and Owen Woodruff met in Council at the Temple. I received an appointment from the Presidency of the Church to try and collect the funds due on the Brigham Young Monument.

Saturday, Aug. 13, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I[n] company with President Jos. F. Smith and Seymour B. Young, I went to Kaysville and attended the funeral of Patriarch Christopher Layton.

Joseph F. Smith, S. B. Young, Myself, John W. Hess, Lorin Farr, Ralph Douglass, Wm. Rydall and Bp. Peter Barlow all spoke. The attendance was large. He leaves 202 descendants. Many vehicles followed his remains to the grave. In the evening I returned to my home.

Sunday, Aug. 14, 1898 - Salt Lake City

By telegram from John D. Owens sent from Cedar City, Iron Co. to my son George A. He said Winslow F., my son, had met with an accident but not serious and requested someone to meet him at Juab and bring three pillows. Also send a man to take Winslow's place.

Later we got word that Winslow had fallen from a Wind Mill and broken both Wrists.

Monday, Aug. 15, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Sarah and I went to Leamington where we met our son with Bro. J. J. Davis. Winslow had fallen from a Wind Mill 35 feet and broken both wrists and bruised his face on one side and a cut on the rump. We brought him home. My son, Nicholas went to take his place.

Tuesday, Aug. 16, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Today Dr. Pfants turned the X Rays on Winslow's arms and took a Photograph of them.

Wednesday, Aug. 17, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Winslow's arms were reset today by Drs. J. S. Richards and Wilcox. I was at the Prest.'s office part of the day.

Monday, Aug. 22, 1898 - Salt Lake City

My son Winslow is gaining slowly.

I wrote to my son Nicholas. I spent about two hours at the Knutsford hotel with U.S. Senator C. D. Clark of Wyoming talking over the political situation in his state.

Tuesday, Aug. 23, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Wm. N. Williams and I paid a visit to the City Water Master and sought to gain the privilege of sprinkling out of hours.

Monday, Aug. 29, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I drew one hundred dollars and paid Sarah \$30.00, Josephine \$20, John W. White \$5.00, Tithing \$20.00.

Tuesday, Aug. 30, 1898 - Salt Lake City

It rained in torrents today, flooding the street and filling some Cellars. I got one hundred dollars in cash from J. Jack today.

Wednesday, Aug. 31, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I paid Sarah \$25.00 cash, Josephine \$25.00 to Winslow \$10.00.

I called upon Prest. Joseph F. Smith and he told me to do what I found to be done in my trip to Teton Basin and Jackson's Hole.

Saturday, Sept. 3, 1898 - Driggs Ranch, Teton Valley, Idaho

Prest. Thos. E. Ricks and I went to Victor where we put up with a Bro. Jones.

We held meetings at 10 a.m. and Prest. Ricks and all of the Bishops of Teton Valley but Bro. Geo. Little spoke. Also Wm. F. Rigby and Bp. Wm. B. Preston.

About 1:30 p.m. a Bro. Little brought the following dispatch:

Salt Lake City, Utah
September 2, 1898

Thos. E. Ricks or Timothy J. Winters

Prest. Woodruff dead. Let Elder John Henry Smith return home immediately.

Jos. F. Smith

At 1:40 p.m. Bp. Edwin S. Little and myself were on the road home, having Prest. Thos. E. Ricks buggy and Don C. Driggs horses. We drove to Bp. E. S. Little's home and changed horses, which took 30 minutes. We drove on to Canyon Creek, making the run of 40 miles in about 3:30 hours' driving time. John A. Garner at 5:45 p.m. took me into his carriage and took me to Bishop Pincock's at Teton, 15 miles. We had supper here, 20 minutes. Bro. Pincock drove me 7 miles to Rexburg, and in about 35 minutes. We were delayed about 30 minutes and Bro. Archabold took me on to Market Lake, 22 miles, in two hours and 44 minutes.

I took train at 11:51 p.m. for home.

Sunday, Sept. 4, 1898 - Ogden and Salt Lake City

I had a good night's rest. I joined the funeral train of Prest. W. Woodruff here and found a large company of the brethren and sisters here in a private car furnished by the C.P.R.R. Co. and D.R.G. Co., Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Brigham Young, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, and Matthias F. Cowley of the Apostles being present.

At Salt Lake City a line was formed and the remains taken to his home.

Monday, Sept. 5, 1898 - Salt Lake City

At 11 a.m. at the Church offices, Prest. Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Brigham Young, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley and Abraham O. Woodruff met in Council with Wilford Woodruff Jr. and several of his brothers to talk over matters pertaining to the Funeral of Prest. W. Woodruff. Brigham Young, Heber J. Grant, and Abraham O. Woodruff were appointed a committee to Manage the funeral.

Tuesday, Sept. 6, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I was sent for by President Lorenzo Snow to go to his room in the Temple.

He said he wanted me to run for U.S. Senator.

He also told me he would not take hold of affairs until after the funeral of Prest. Wilford Woodruff. He said he thought the church owed three millions of dollars. He also said he did not agree with Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon's business methods. He said the load seemed more than he could carry.

Heber J. Grant, Geo. T. Odell, Geo. Rommney, Chas. Burton, Wm. W. Riter, and Attorney J. Moyle of Coop. W. & M. Co. met with John W. Cannon and talked over a matter pertaining to Montpelier branch.

Thursday, Sept. 8, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The Apostles met at the President's Office and in carriages proceeded to the Residence of President Wilford Woodruff, from which his remains were followed to the Tabernacle. The services commenced at 10:30 a.m.

Prayer by Franklin D. Richards. O My Father was sung by the Choir.

Prests. Joseph F. Smith spoke 35 minutes, Lorenzo Snow 20 minutes, Franklin D. Richards 11 minutes, Geo. Q. Cannon 50 minutes.

Mrs. Maggie Hull, assisted [by] the Temple Choir sang Beautiful City.

The choir sang "God moves in a Mysterious Way." Benediction by Brigham Young.

Many carriages followed the remains to the cemetery. Harmony Glee Club sang Not dead but Sleepeth. Elder F. M. Lyman offered Dedicatory prayer.

All of the Apostles went to Johnson's Art Galery and sat for a group picture.

Friday, Sept. 9, 1898 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the Apostles met in their room.

Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley and Abraham O. Woodruff, President Lorenzo Snow presiding. Singing. Prayer by Francis M. Lyman. Singing. Prest. Lorenzo Snow made a short talk and asked Elders Geo. Q. Cannon and J. F. Smith to make a brief statement of the financial condition of the Church, which they did.

On motion of Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow was sustained as President of the Twelve. On motion of John Henry Smith, Geo. Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith were returned to their places in the Council of the Apostles, according to ordination.

[On] motion of John Henry Smith The Council of Apostles were declaired the presiding Quorum of the church.

President W. Woodruff's desk was given to his son. Geo. Q. Cannon and Jos. F. Smith retain theirs. The Desk in the Apostles room was given to Prest. Lorenzo Snow. Fifty dollars a month was [given] to each of Bro. Wilford Woodruff's Widows on my motion.

We adjourned to meet at the President's office at 10 a.m. on Saturday. Joseph F. Smith gave the Benediction.

I went up to the Lagoon with some of the Delegates to the Republican Convention.

Charles S. Zane was nominated for Supreme Judge. Alma Eldredge for Representative to Congress.

Saturday, Sept. 10, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I called at the President's office and had a short talk with Prest. L. Snow and Brigham Young, and looked over the accounts of the Church.

Tuesday, Sept. 13, 1898 - Salt Lake City

My son Ezra Chase Smith's wife gave birth to a daughter on Sunday morning at 4 a.m.

All of the Apostles met at 10 a.m. at the President's office, President Lorenzo Snow presiding. After making a short talk. Francis M. Lyman moved we organize the Presidency. Joseph F. Smith seconded it and it carried, with Lorenzo Snow as President. He chose Geo. Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith for Councillors and Franklin D. Richards was made President of the Twelve.

The feeling was the very best.

We went to Savage's Art Galery and were taken in a group.

Wednesday, Sept. 14, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I went to the City Treasurer's office and paid water rates for the house at 17 Appel street \$4.00, 23 N.W.T. [North West Temple] street \$23.45, at 112 South Temple \$6.06.

I met at the President's office at 10 a.m. Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, H. J. Grant, A. H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, and Abraham O. Woodruff.

We talked over the general situation of the Church.

The Y.M.M.I.A. board met and attended to business.

The Democratic Convention today nominated B. H. Roberts for Congress and R. M. Baskin for the Supreme Bench.

Thursday, Sept. 15, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of Z.C.M.I. and Coop. W. & M. Co. Business seems remarkably good.

Sunday, Sept. 18, 1898 - Rexburg, Idaho

I am fifty years old today.

Wednesday, Sept. 21, 1898 - Salt Lake City, Utah

I drove out into the Country looking for peaches to can.

The Republicans held their primaries tonight to elect candidates to the Precinct and county Conventions. I was elected to both.

Political matters are running high.

Thursday, Sept. 22, 1898 - Salt Lake City

In the evening I attended the District Convention and we nominated a justice of the peace and Constable and some committee men.

Friday, Sept. 23, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The Republican Salt Lake Co. Convention convened at the Salt Lake Theatre, about 400 delegates present. Things went along harmoniously.

In company with Prest. J. F. Smith, I called upon P[atrack]. H. Lannan [owner of the *Salt Lake Tribune*] and talked over the course being taken by the Tribune in its assaults on B. H. Roberts. Mr. Lannan made lots of talk and said nothing, really.

Prest. J. F. Smith presented him a paper setting forth that no marrying was going of the plural kind. He said that will not do.⁵

Saturday, Sept. 24, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I called at the home of Mr. P. H. Lannan and got the Document that had been left with him.

[Went to Rich, Cache, and Box Elder counties for Republican meetings, September 26-October 1.]

Saturday, Oct. 1, 1898 Brigham City

The County Convention met here today. It nominated John P. Holmgreen for the Legislature. He lives at Bear River City.

We drove to Bear River City and held a Rally. The attendance was medium, although it snowed all of the evening.

Monday, Oct. 3, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I attended a meeting of the Democrats at the Salt Lake Theatre and heard some nice talk.

Thursday, Oct. 6, 1898 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

Conference convened in the Tabernacle today at 10 a.m. President Lorenzo Snow presiding. His Councillors and all of the Apostles were present.

⁵The public stance of the LDS church against polygamy following the issuance of Wilford Woodruff's 1890 Manifesto differed somewhat from its private position. Many ranking church authorities prior to 1904 believed that polygamy could be practiced privately, independent of official church sanction, by worthy members. This included the continued performance of plural marriages. D. Michael Quinn discusses the dilemmas of post-Manifesto polygamy in "LDS Church Authority and New Plural Marriages, 1890-1904," *Dialogue: A Journal of Mormon Thought* 18 (Spring 1985): 9-105.

Friday, Oct. 7, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Conference at 10 a.m.

John W. Taylor talked on Morality and made some unfortunate remarks about Kamas ward and the Salt Lake Choir. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon corrected these statements.

Saturday, Oct. 8, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and Apostles met at the Temple and agreed to have Rudger Clawson to fill a vacancy in the Council of the Apostles.

Sunday, Oct. 9, 1898 - Salt Lake City

President George Q. Cannon presented the Authorities and the Apostles voted first for President Lorenzo Snow. Then the Patriarch, Presidents of stakes and High Councils. Then High Priests. Then the Seventies. Then the Elders. Then the Bishopricks, then the Priests, Teachers and Deacons. Then all of the Congregation voted. Rudger Clawson filled the vacancy in the Council of the Apostles.

All were unanimous but in the case of John W. Taylor. Some few voted against him for remarks made on Friday about Kamas Ward and the Salt Lake Tabernacle Choir.

Bro. John W. Taylor at the close of the meeting met with the choir and arranged his trouble with them.

Tuesday, Oct. 11, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I took train for Summit Co. At Morgan City Alma Eldredge, John P. Meakin and Willey Brown came on to the train.

We went to Henneferville and held Rally and had a large attendance. All of our party took part. Bp. Paskel took us to the home of Bro. Alma Eldredge in Coalville. We had a Rally in the stake. The attendance was large. All of our Company did their parts well.

Thursday, Oct. 13, 1898 - Heber City

We drove to Heber City. A Rally was held in Turner's hall in the evening. The attendance was large.

Saturday, Oct. 15, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and appointed an auditing committee to look into our accounts, owing to the serious condition of S. J. Kenyon, who is secretary and Treasurer.

I arranged with George M. Cannon for a reduction of Interest on the loans I have in the Zions Saving bank.

I went to Provo and attended a grand Rally in the evening in the opera house.

Sunday, Oct. 16, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Samuel J. Kenyon died this morning. He evidently committed suicide.

Monday, Oct. 17, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Alma Eldredge, John P. Meakin, Jesse M. Smith and I held three political meetings in Davis County. They were only moderately well attend[ed] at Kaysville and out among the farms. At Bountiful the attendance was large.

Tuesday, Oct. 18, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I remained in the city today and adjusted some of my affairs at the banks.

I gave notes to the amount of \$19,300.00 at the banks today, secured by stocks and a mortgage on South Temple street property.

[Went south for Republican rallies, October 19-November 3, including Fairview, Mount Pleasant, Spring City, Ephraim, Monroe, Richfield, Marysvale, Kingston, Circleville, Panguitch, Glendale, Orderville, Mt. Carmel, Kanab, St. George, Cedar City, Parowan, Beaver, Milford, Filmore, Deseret, and Nephi.]

Tuesday, Nov. 1, 1898 - Fillmore

We had a grand Rally. Meakin, Eldredge and I did our part. The band played. The Glee club sang and the mandolin club played.

Thursday, Nov. 3, 1898 - Nephi

It is a beautifull day.

We went by train to Nephi. We had a Rousing Rally in the meeting house. The house was full and the crowd enthusiastic.

We had a magnificent street parade.

Mr. Alma Eldredge spoke the best up to date.

Friday, Nov. 4, 1898 - Salt Lake City

We returned to Salt Lake City and attended the Rally at the Theatre. Heber M. Wells presided. He read his opening address and went after B. H. Roberts for runing for Congress when he had more than one family. C. C. Goodwin, Jas. T. Hammond, Alma Eldredge, E. M. Alison, A. L. Thomas and myself spoke and two Ladies.

I did not feel right over the Governor's talk.

Saturday, Nov. 5, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I went to Ogden today. Isaac Trumbo, Alma Eldredge and I spoke at Ogden open house. Trumbo gave some inside history in regard to F. J. Cannon.

Monday, Nov. 7, 1898 - Morgan City

I went by train to Morgan City and put up with C. A. Welch.

We held a Rally and two of the candidates for Office spoke for a short time. I spoke for two hours to a good crowd of people.

Tuesday, Nov. 8, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I returned home and cast my vote for a straight Republican Ticket.

Wednesday, Nov. 9, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The Democratic party have elected Representative, Judge and Most of the Legislature.

I went to Spanish Fork and got about \$83.76 dollars in goods at the Coop. store.

The Y.M.M.I.A. board met this evening.

Thursday, Nov. 10, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Presidents Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Elders Franklin D. Richards, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund and M. F. Cowley met in Council. Some discussion was had in regard to the Deseret News.

Saturday, Nov. 12, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Executive board of Coop. W. & M. Co. We decided to pay G. T. Odell \$300.00 per month from January 1st 1898.

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and elected Charles B. Felt a Director in the place of S. J. Kenyon, dead. Director S. B. Hays made a demand on the company to let him, with our Lawyer, examine our books.

He also asked for an action upon the board's part on the money borrowed to fix up the Hotel Kenyon, baring the Directors who were also Directors of the State Bank and the Valley Loan and Trust Co.

Director C. S. Burton, who was appointed to Audit the Company's book, made a report.

Sunday, Nov. 13, 1898 - Brigham City

I went to Brigham City with Prest. Lorenzo Snow to attend the Box Elder Stake Conference.

The building was remodded after the fire and is elegant.

Wednesday, Nov. 16, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I was about the City most of the [day]. I sold sixty one shares of Z.C.M.I. stock at 1-16 and paid the Deseret Savings bank \$7,000.00 Heber J. Grant and Co. did the business for me.

Friday, Nov. 18, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Groesbeck Co. office part of the day. O. J. Salisbury and I took a look around the Wasatch building and the Groesbeck block.

Tuesday, Nov. 22, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I met with Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, and Franklin D. Richards. We talked over Church affairs and decided to Issue bonds.

I was home part of the day. I spent some time at the Wasatch building.

Wednesday, Nov. 23, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Groesbeck Co. office today for an hour.

Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Franklin D. Richards, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Heber J. Grant, Matthias F. Cowley, Wm. B. Preston, Robt. T. Burton, John R. Winder, LeGrand Young and Frank S. Richards [met].

We decided to issue a bond for \$500.00 at 6% for ten years, redeemable in five years. Geo. Q. Cannon made the motion. Seconded by Joseph F. Smith. The action was unanimous.

Thursday, Nov. 24, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I had a day at home sorting over my letters.

We had a nice Turkey for our dinner.

I went to the Theatre with my wife Sarah. The performance was an extravaganza rather loud in tone.

Friday, Nov. 25, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I was at President Lorenzo Snow's office. He invited me to remain. Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Franklin D. Richards, Myself, LeGrand Young, Franklin S. Richards, Wm. B. Preston met and talked over the form of the bond to be issued by the Church. I had a Turkey dinner at Josephine's.

I went to Spanish Fork with Heber J. Grant. He had a talk with the Directors of the Coop. on the Insurance of their business in the Home Fire Insurance of Utah.

We also met with the brethren and Bro. H. J. Grant solicited Donations to help save the Ogden bank from failure.

We went home with Bro. Wm. Jex. Paid on note at Zions Saving Bank \$140.00.

Thursday, Dec. 1, 1898 - Salt Lake City

At 11 a.m. Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Franklin D. Richards, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, M. W. Merrill, A. H. Lund, M. F. Cowley, Rudger Clawson, Wm. B. Preston, Robt. T. Burton, and John R. Winder, with Geo. F. Gibbs, secretary, met in the Apostles room of the Temple.

It was decided to Issue a half Million of bonds at 6 percent for

Eleven years, and fifty thousand dollars to be placed as a sinking fund each year after the first year.

Some talk was had about who should be the Trustees. President Lorenzo Snow take Bro. Geo. Q. Cannon to task for the over hopefull Manner in which he had spoken of our financial Condition.

Tuesday, Dec. 6, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I paid a note of the Iowa State Savings by check of James Jack on State Bank of Utah for \$2,000.00. Interest \$119.97.

Sunday, Dec. 11, 1898 - Salt Lake City [stake conference]

Prest. C. W. Penrose read a statement of the fast offerings. 2,417 souls received aid in this stake.

Prest. C. W. Penrose, Angus M. Cannon, and Geo. Q. Cannon spoke on an effort to make the poor self supporting.

Monday, Dec. 12, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The weather continues cold and dry. I was at President Snow[s] office part of the day and I was at the Groesbeck Co. office talking over affairs with O. J. Salisbury.

Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1898 - Salt Lake City

The question of borrowing \$500,000.00 in Chicago was considered and a Mr. Roberts Telegraphed by H. J. Grant for the church.

Friday, Dec. 16, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I was at President Lorenzo Snows office and the bond business was talked over with David Eccles and others. D. Eccles wanted to increase it to one Million. It was decided not to do that.

I and my wife Sarah spent the evening at Sister Cloe Eldridge's. Bp. N. A. Empey and Wife, Moses Thatcher and Wife, Reed Smoot and Wife, W. T. Bateman and Wife, Benjamin, Earnest, Harold, and another son with wives and daughters and Emilie T. Young were present. We had a magnificent supper.

Mr. O. J. Salisbury and I took a look through the Kenyon hotel.

Thursday, Dec. 22, 1898 - Salt Lake City

At 11 a.m. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith and Elders Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Anthon H. Lund and Abraham O. Woodruff and Rudger Clawson met and had prayers in the Temple. Bro. A. O. Woodruff made a report of his trip in the Southern Stakes. The Condition of Rama, N. M. was talked over and also the Indian work in Sonora.

Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Abraham O. Woodruff and I were made a committee to consider these questions. We met and agreed

upon a report to the Council, which favored a Mission to the Yaki Indians and the maintainance of Rama but to release such as wanted to pull away from there. I spent the evening at Josephines.

Friday, Dec. 23, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Joseph Smith the Prophet would have been 93 years old today.

Services were held by Bp. Kesler in his ward tonight. Bp. Kesler, Bathsheba W. Smith, Arowet Hale, Joseph F. Smith, and Samuel W. Richards were the speakers. Donnetta Smith read the story of the Martyrdom of Joseph & Hyrum given in the Doctrine & Covenants. The Ward Choir sang some nice selections.

There were 24 persons present who knew the Prophet and 23 persons who were related to him by blood or Mariage.

Monday, Dec. 26, 1898 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah F. and I went to the Theatre. Lorenzo Snow said to me and Brigham Young today that he had no confidence in Geo. Q. Cannon.

Thursday, Dec. 29, 1898 - Salt Lake City

Prest. L. Snow got word last night that his first wife was dead. He went up to Brigham City.

Saturday, Dec. 31, 1898 - Salt Lake City

I am myself under the weather, so are several of my children, with colds.

I took a ride in the cutter with Josephine.

Sunday, Jan. 1, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The country is covered with Snow and the ground underneath is frozen hard.

Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Four Burglars were arested next door to us this morning by the Police.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow asked me today what he better do about the business of the Power plant.

Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I paid Judge Howat \$80.00 interest that I got from Jas. Jack.

All of the first Presidency, Franklin D. Richards, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. F. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, and Rudger Clawson met with John R. Winder and others in regard to the Pioneer Electric Lighting & Heating Co. We tried to find out who should pay \$45,000.00 in interest. LeGrand Young

and R. S. Campbell were also present. We finally agreed to pay the money. The Union Light and Heating Co. has absorbed the Pioneer Co.

Thursday, Jan. 5, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I called upon Burton Furguson and talked over some legal matters. At 11 a.m. The Presidency, Franklin D. Richards, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, and Rudger Clawson met in council at the Apostles' room. Clerk Geo. F. Gibbs was present.

I moved to appoint an auditing committee. Franklin D. Richards and Jos. F. Smith seconded the motion. After some discussion it carried unanimously. President Lorenzo Snow appointed Franklin D. Richards, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Heber J. Grant and Rudger Clawson.

I spent an hour at the office of the Groesbeck Co.

All of the Presidency and Apostles Franklin D. Richards, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, and Abraham Owen Woodruff met at the President's office.

Hugh J. Cannon, John M. Cannon, Asahael Woodruff, Jerry Langford of the Sterling Mining Co. met and talked over the business of that Co. It is evident from the shape of the company's affairs that the church must eventually shoulder about \$160,000.00.

Friday, Jan. 6, 1899 - Salt Lake City

In company with Heber J. Grant and Matthias F. Cowley, I called upon T. G. Webber and John C. Cutler and talked over the question of trying to secure the government building on the Tithing office corner.

I took Josephine out for a ride.

Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1899 - Salt Lake City

All of the Apostles but Brigham Young and Matthias F. Cowley met at their room in the Temple at 10 a.m. Singing. Prayer by Francis M. Lyman. Singing.

President Franklin D. Richards gave some excellent instructions upon the Duties of the Apostles. Francis M. Lyman talked very feelingly on home government and love the [?]. I followed him on the duties we should perform in visiting wards and keeping in touch with the Bishops. Geo. Teasdale spoke of his own trials and his love for the brethren.

Heber J. Grant said his financial condition left him about \$77,000.00 worse than nothing. He lamented because he had no living son. Prest. F. D. Richards prophesied that he would have a son and means to pay his debts.

John W. Taylor gave his Missionary experiences in the Mission field in Colorado. Marriner W. Merrill told us of some of his early experiences in the church. Two meetings were held. Prest. Richards closed with prayer.

Heber J. Grant and I called upon President Lorenzo Snow and he as Trustee in Trust forgave the interest on the notes given to the Church to save Len Hardy from disgrace.

Heber J. Grant paid five hundred dollars for me which I am to refund when I can.

Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1899 - Salt Lake City

All of the Apostles but Brigham Young met at 10 a.m. in their room in the Temple.

I offered prayer, Anthon H. Lund asked some questions about the Godhead. Prest. Franklin D. Richards made a telling talk on this question. Matthias F. Cowley and Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson, Franklin D. Richards and Myself spoke. A fine spirit prevailed.

I paid David James & Co. \$10.00. I gave to Ben L. Rich \$10.00 to help him on his mission. M. F. Cowley and I blest young Rich.

Friday, Jan. 13, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Kanab Coop. herd met and declaired a fifty percent dividend, looking to the closing out of the company's business as soon as possible. We paid the Directors fifty dollars each as salary.

Saturday, Jan. 14, 1899 - Evanston, Wyoming

Abraham O. Woodruff, Frederick Casthwate Graham and Myself took train for Evanston, Wyoming at 7 a.m. Bro. Charles Kingston met [us] at the Evanston station. We called upon U.S. Senator C. D. Clark, who had just been reelected U.S. Senator. He received us very kindly and we had a nice visit. He said he would do what he could for us in the future.

Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I reached home at 4 a.m. today and found all well. I met with Prest. Franklin D. Richards, Heber J. Grant, and Rudger Clawson of the church board of Audators and laid out our work on the Church books.

Dr. Joseph S. Richards gave me a receipted bill for \$366.00 Dr. bill, I to give him that amount in Grant gold mining stocks for his daughter Louise T. Richards. I will pay this bill any way little by little.

Wednesday, Jan. 18, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Auditing Committee met at 10 a.m. and Prest. L. Snow put into our hands a document written by R. R. Anderson showing the condition of Zions Savings bank. We looked through and found it in a fearfull condition.

Tuesday, Jan. 24, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Auditors met at 10 a.m. at the President's office and spent most of the day pouring over the statements of the accounts.

Thursday, Jan. 26, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Coop. W. & M. Co. met and had reports for the year read. Our earnings were \$88,000.00. \$20,000 were set aside to pay dividends, \$25,000.00 to build us a home. The ballance was carried to various accounts. The Executive board were paid \$100.00 each and the Directors \$50.00 each additional for last year.

Monday, Jan. 30, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I held services in the chapel of the Deseret University this Morning. I spoke on respect for the name of the supreme being. I was busy part of the day at the Groesbeck Co. office. I was elected a Director of the Coop. W. & M. Co. today.

Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I held services at the Deseret University today. I spoke on faith.

H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson and myself of the Auditors met at 9:30 a.m. and put in most of the day making an examination into the condition of Zions Saving Bank.

Thursday, Feb. 2, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I spoke to the students of the University of Deseret this morning on the necessity for a Savior.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, and Elders F. M. Lyman, Myself, Heber J. Grant, Geo. Teasdale, Anthon H. Lund, M. F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff and Rudger Clawson met at the Temple and had prayers. We voted to give the Tithing office corner to the government for a building.

Monday, Feb. 6, 1899 - Salt Lake City

My son Don Carlos Smith's wife gave birth to a daughter this moning. She lived only a few moments. She was named Gladys. We had her buried in my mother's grave.

Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Auditors of the Church met at 9:30 a.m. F. D. Richards not present. We had before [us] A Bro. McMillan, Secretary Clayton of the Beach Co. Prest. Orson Smith was also before the committee about the Sterling mine.

I was elected a Director of the Home Fire Insurance Co.

I was elected a Director of the Coop. Furnature Co. and its President.

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I had a long talk today over the Church's indebtedness. My wife Sarah F. is stoping at our Son Don C.

Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I visited the headquarters of W. H. King, F. J. Cannon, and A. W. McCune.⁶

Wednesday, Feb. 15, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Elder Franklin D. Richards has returned from California. Rudger Clawson is making up the Auditor's report.

Thursday, Feb. 16, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I spoke to the students of the L.D.S. College [in Salt Lake City] this morning.

Presidents Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Franklin D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, A. H. Lund, M. F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff and Rudger Clawson met in Council. Geo. F. Gibbs, secretary, present. I presented the question of Administering the sacrament in stake conferences, the blessing of children, the tracing decant in the Priesthood, naming children and then changing name by parents.

Saturday, Feb. 18, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The day is very fine, altho muddy underfoot.

I asked Geo. M. Cannon, John B. Cannon, Angus J. Cannon if they thought I should rest under the statement made by Senator F. J. Cannon that I and Heber J. Grant had used my church influence against him. John Q. Cannon thought I ought not to go back at him.

Matthias F. Cowley and I took train for Pocatello Stake Conference at 5:20 p.m. We got off[f] at Downey Station and put up at Bro. Wm. Hyde's. Prest. Wm. B. Parkinson joined us at Cache junction.

Monday, Feb. 20, 1899 - Downey Station, Idaho and Salt Lake City

2 p.m. Wm. A. Hyde spoke. Matthias F. Cowley spoke and advised the people to build a canal. I followed him and endorsed what he had said and admonished the people to do their full duty and bore testimony to the Truth of the Gospel.

We left for our homes at 3:40 p.m.

⁶King, Cannon, and McCune were three of the five original candidates for U.S. senator to be selected by the state legislature. Frank J. Cannon, the incumbent and son of George Q. Cannon, was in disfavor because of questions about his moral fitness. George Sutherland, a non-Mormon lawyer and future U.S. Supreme Court justice, could not muster a majority of votes; nor could William H. King, a lawyer and former territorial supreme court justice; Orlando W. Powers, a former federal judge; or Alfred W. McCune, a wealthy mining entrepreneur and railroad builder. Later, church leaders put their support behind another candidate, George Q. Cannon, but he was not able to gain a majority. Consequently, the legislature deadlocked and adjourned without filling the seat.

My wife Sarah and I attended a banquet at the Alta Club rooms given by Ex. Senator Arthur Brown and Lady.

Most of the Republican members of the Legislature and their ladies were present. U.S. Marshall Glen Miller, Lindsey Rogers of Ogden, Geo. Sutherland and wife, E. B. Critchlow and some ladies were present. We had a grand spread. I enjoyed it very much.

Tuesday, Feb. 21, 1899 - Salt Lake City

President Franklin D. Richards, Myself, H. J. Grant, and Rudger Clawson met at the Auditor's office and passed upon the values of some of the property belonging to the Church.

I went to the Theatre in the evening with my wife Josephine.

Thursday, Feb. 23, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Regular meeting was held today in the Temple. Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, M. W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund, M. F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff and Rudger Clawson being present. We agreed that something should be done to relieve the state deadlock in the Legislature. We also thought it would be best if Geo. Q. Cannon could go [to the Senate]. We are to work to this end.

My wife Sarah F. and I went to the Theatre. Some of the Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and talked over remodeling the Groesbeck block and determined to do.

Friday, Feb. 24, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the President's office. Political matters were on the topic. I saw Judge W. H. King and had a talk with him over the Political situation.

Sunday, Feb. 26, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I had a long talk with Chief Justice Barch this evening of the political situation. He wants Geo. Q. Cannon elected and figured out how it could be done. He wanted me to convert Democrats but I could not see how it could be done. He was quite confident as to the way it could be reached.

Monday, Feb. 27, 1899 - Salt Lake City

It stormed today. My son George A. and I talked over his building a house and determined it should be done.

My grandfather John Smith was ordained a high Priest by Sidney Rigdon at Kirtland, Ohio June 6th, 1833 and a Patriarch by the Prophet Joseph Smith at Nauvoo, Hancock Co., Ill. January 10th 1844.

Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at President Lorenzo Snow's office.

The weather is very much unsettled. Showers, Sunshine, Snow, and lots of mud.

Wednesday, March 1, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Rain, snow, and mud.

I was at the Office most of the day. I had a good talk with a number of leading men over the political situation. We have most of the Republicans ready to vote for Geo. Q. Cannon. I was at the meeting of the Y.M.M.I.A. board tonight. I went to the Theatre with President Lorenzo Snow. Susa's band played.

Sunday, March 5, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I attended the funeral of Sister Robert Johnson at the first ward meeting house. I made my home largely in 1874 & 5 at their home, 40 Commercial road Hereford.

Monday, March 6, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Joseph F. Smith has returned from Honolulu and is in good health and spirits.

"John Henry Smith was ordained an Elder January 16th, 1864 in the Endowment house by Samuel L. Sprague, Sr."

Tuesday, March 7, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Presidents F. D. Richards, Rudger Clawson & Myself met with President Joseph F. Smith and talked over the condition of the Church financially. I had a nice talk with Prest. Lorenzo Snow about political matters.

Thursday, March 9, 1899 - Salt Lake City

All of the auditing committee except H. J. Grant met at 9 a.m. and talked over the Sterling mine matter. F. S. Richards gave us a legal opinion and also left with us the original papers of incorporation.

The Legislature adjourned without electing a U.S. Senator. They are holding a long session in order to finish up some unfinished business.

Friday, March 10, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The auditing committee met with President Lorenzo Snow and determined that the Church was in no way responsible for Sterling mine matter, Franklin D. Richards, Francis M. Lyman, Rudger Clawson, and myself being present.

I was reading in Henry Watterson's History of the Spanish War until 9 p.m.

Saturday, March 18, 1899 - Salt Lake City

It stormed some during the night. I was about my homes most of the day.

Tuesday, March 21, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I gave O. J. Salisbury a note for \$10,000.00 today for the Groesbeck Co. I also signed contracts with several parties to remodel the Groesbeck block and build a Kitchen for the hotel.

Friday, March 24, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I lectured on the Colonization of Utah before the students of the Latter-day Saints College. The attendance was only fair. I did not have very good liberty in speaking.

Tuesday, March 28, 1899 - Rexburg, Idaho

I went with the brethren to look over the ground for a site for a joint building for stake house and College.

Friday, March 31, 1899 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

Myself and Wives and Sons, Geo. A., Winslow F. and Nathaniel L. and Lucy, Emily, my son Geo. Wife, and Mary Hansen went to Ogden and had a grand visit with Lorin Farr and about seventy of his children and grand children and a few friends. We had a nice supper.

Sunday, April 2, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I attended fast meeting in the Temple and heard speaking in tongues by [?] Y. Dougall. Interpreted by Zina D. H. Young.

D. L. Moody, the Methodist Evangelist, spoke at the Tabernacle today.

Tuesday, April 4, 1899 - Salt Lake City

All of the Apostles met in their room in the Temple and the day was spent in happy talk and in giving instruction. At our afternoon meeting President F. D. Richards gave some pleasing explanations of Doctrine.

Wednesday, April 5, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Apostles met at 9:30 a.m. and talked over our duty towards the first Presidency.

I was elected a Director of Z.C.M.I. today. I spent the evening at home.

[General conference, April 6-10.]

Thursday, April 6, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The meetings were well attended and a good spirit prevailed.

I was elected a director today in the Utah Sugar Co. who held its annual stockholders meeting at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, April 11, 1899 - Salt Lake City

President Lorenzo Snow instructed Bp. Wm. B. Preston and myself to adjust some M. C. & A. Co. affairs with Manager A. W. Ivins. We met

and agreed that the Company's money now in the hands of the manager should be held to meet payments soon due on the Oxaca purchase.

We also decided to allow to the Church school \$2,000.00 dollars U.S. money, commencing on September 1st, to be collected from old accounts due the company and from other exchanges of the company's property. We also decided to pay our Manager \$1,000.00 in U.S. coin as salary for looking after the Co. business.

Wednesday, April 12, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I was at the President's office most of the day. Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, and myself were appointed by President Lorenzo Snow to hear and determine upon a case between Wm. Budge and Francis Wilcox. We decided that Budge was to return the Land to Wilcox upon the payment of price and expense within thirty days.

I went to the theatre with Josephine.

Monday, April 17, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors for the first time of the Utah Sugar Co. I signed a check for the Groesbeck Co. for \$1,020.00 for work on Kenyon Kitchen.

Wednesday, April 19, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Heber J. Grant, W. Madsen, Chas. S. Burton, Geo. T. Odell and myself met and agreed to pay Zions Savings bank and Trust Co. \$2,200.00 each on a Grant Bros. Livery note. Hyrum & Joshua Grant, Wm. H. Rowe, and Elias W. Smith to pay or give their notes for \$1,450.00 each.

The Sterling Mining co. board of Directors, Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Myself, Heber J. Grant, and Rudger Clawson considered a debt owing to the Zions Savings Bank and Trust Co. by the Sterling mining Co. and endorsed by Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon, and Joseph F. Smlith. After hearing all of the facts to be reached, President Lorenzo Snow decided to accept and pay one note and interest amounting to \$107,000.00.

I went with President Joseph F. Smith to the Theatre.

President Lorenzo Snow read Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon's settlement of the Bullion Beck & Champion M. Co. dedicated stock matter to Joseph F. Smith, Francis M. Lyman and myself. He had read it to me before. I advised him to accept it.

Friday, April 21, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I was at President Snow's office most of the day.

All of the first Presidency, Franklin D. Richards, Myself, Brigham Young, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, and Rudger Clawson, James Jack and Nephi Clayton met and considered the subject of selling the Beach Railroad and Salt Works. We voted to keep the property.

April 22, 1899 - Tooele City, Tooele County

A blessing given by Israel Bennion, Patriarch, upon the head of John Henry Smith, son of Geo. Albert Smith and Sarah Ann Libbey, born at Carburnca, now Council Bluffs, Pottawattomie Co., Iowa.

Brother John Henry Smith, by the Authority of the Holy Priesthood I now pronounce upon thy head a Patriarchal blessing. Thou art of the house of Joseph through Ephraim, an heir to the blessings of the fathers. Thou art blest in thy Ancestry, being of the favored lineage. The faith of the Gospel is thy birthright. Thou shalt never be turned from it. Thou shalt understand clearly all things pertaining thereto and thy spirit shall agree to the Counsels of the Servants of the Lord readily and easily, for it is natural for thee to comprehend and understand the Word of the Lord. Thou shalt be steadfast and firm in Counsel, yet humble, giving glory to the Lord. Thy face shall be set against iniquity, and in the purity of Thine heart thou shalt indeed be a Watchman upon the Towers of Zion, and shalt Live long and shall enter into the rest of the Lord.

Thy name shall be honored among the Saints and handed down in remembrance to future generations. Thy posterity shall be numerous and faithfull. Thou shalt take part in great and glorious events connected with the establishment of Zion. The spirit of prophesy shall be upon thee and the visions of eternity open to thy sight. Thou shalt have the gift of the holy spirit to guide thee, directing thy labors, both spiritually and temporally, and thou shalt see the Riches of the Earth uncovered for thy good and the good of the faithfull Saints and the good of Zion to thy heart's content. I seal these blessings on thee and seal thee up to eternal life, to come fourth in the morning of the first resurrection, crowned with glory among thy Kindred and friends. In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Thursday, April 27, 1899 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Marriner W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, and Rudger Clawson met in the Temple and had prayer and assigned the brethren to their fields of labor for the next two weeks.

We adjourned to the President's office to consider and took into consideration the tender of President Geo. Q. Cannon of his share of the dedicated stock in the Beck and Bullion & Champion Mining Co. to President Lorenzo Snow to be held by him for the purpose designed in the Revelation. [See August 27, 1896, diary entry and note.]

President Joseph F. Smith moved that the President accept the tender. I seconded the motion. After some talk by several of the brethren, the motion carried. There were 7,500 shares of stock and something from the dividends.

[Went to Colorado, Kansas City, Independence, St. Louis, Nashville, and other cities in the East with Sarah.]

Wednesday, May 3, 1899 - St. Louis, Missouri

President Ben E. Rich met us at the Union depot. We took rooms, got some breakfast and had a ride out to one of the parks.

My wife met with an accident in our room today by get[ting] some alcohol on fire and we had a narrow escape having a big blaze. I burned my hands some in putting out the fire. No great damage was done.

Monday, May 8, 1899 - Chattanooga, Tennessee

We had a meeting of the Presidents at the office at 9:30 a.m. Singing. Prayer by Prest. C. O. Christiansen. Prest. C. O. Christiansen said his Elders were well. He favor[e]d the Commissary. The Georgia Conference.

Prest. Joseph Skeen of North Alabama Conference. Some of the Elders have chills. The spirit of gathering is among the Saints. The Elders are preaching and testifying. Some Elders are old soldiering. Prest. John Henry Willis of the South Alabama has two Elders sick with malaria. Favors the Commissary. Has four branches. Dont favor building meeting houses. Have had one burned.

Prest. Thos. R. Condie of the Miss. Conference. Four Elders are sick with malaria. The Elders use the book money. They buy clothes. Have three meeting houses, have had two burned. They teach the restoration of the Gospel.

Prest. David Broadbent of the Louisiana Conference. Has six sick Elders. One branch have one meeting house owned.

Saturday, May 13, 1899 - Chicago

Matthias F. Cowley and I went out to Elgin and visited David H. Smith at the insane Asylum. We spent several hours with him. He seemed somewhat dazed but talked quite freely. Ben E. Rich joined us and our time was spent quite pleasantly.⁷

Saturday, May 20, 1899 - Salt Lake City

We find ourselves in our own state. We reached home at 10:30 a.m. and found all well.

[Went to Wichita, Kansas, for meeting of Trans-Mississippi Congress, May 3-June 6.]

Thursday, June 8, 1899 - Salt Lake City

M. F. Cowley and I were appointed a Committee to look into the Question of a cheap edition of the Book of Mormon.

⁷David H. Smith was the son of the founding Mormon prophet Joseph Smith.

Friday, June 9, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I signed a note in favor of the Deadwood bank for \$5,000.00 at 8 per cent per annum as President of the Groesbeck Co. I had a ride out to the hot springs and had a bath.

Thursday, June 15, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The President, Lorenzo Snow, gave my son George A. and wife Lucy E. W. their second Endowments today. I laid hands on with him.

Friday, June 16, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I paid Dr. R. B. Pratt \$2.50 for two pair of glasses.

President Lorenzo Snow has called a solemn Assembly of the Apostles, Presiding Patriarch, and Seven Presidents of the Seventies, Presidency of Stake and Bishops of the Church to meet on July 2nd.

Bp. Scanlan and Father Youman of the Catholic Church called upon President Snow.

Saturday, June 17, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I had an offer of two thousand dollars made for a piece of property on block 68.

Monday, June 19, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day about home. My son Glenn cut his foot on some glass very badly today.

Wednesday, June 21, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I went to the Temple and took part in ordaining for the dead. Most of the day I was at the president's office. Matthias F. Cowley and myself heard a difference between Andrew Jenson and H. G. Whitney. We held Jenson was wrong.

Monday, June 26, 1899 - Manassa, Colorado

The Stockholders of the Mexican C. & A. Co. met and elected John Henry Smith, Anthony W. Ivins, Albert R. Smith, L. M. Petersen, Levi P. Helm, A. F. McDonald, Henry Eyring, Thos. Crowther Directors, With S. Smith, Sr., Secretary, and Henry Eyring Asst. Secretary, L. M. Petersen, Treas.

The Directors met and Elected John Henry Smith, President, A. W. Ivins Vice President, and Manager. Those present qualified by subscribing to an oath.

I spent the evening with the Presidency of the stake talking over the condition of affairs.

Tuesday, June 27, 1899 - Manassa

Josephine and I made several calls upon old friends.

Wednesday, June 28, 1899 - Salida, Colorado and Salt Lake City

At Clear Creek Utah I received a telegram from Mayor S. S. Jones of Provo asking me to attend the funeral of Wm. Strong, who had been killed by a tramp. I told him I would do so.

Thursday, June 29, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I went to Provo and attended the funeral of Policeman Wm. Strong. David Johns, Myself, Reed Smoot, & S. S. Jones spoke. The attendance was large.

I had dinner with mother.

I returned to the City and joined in the celebration of my father's birthday at Susan E. Smith. 141 persons were present. Joseph F. Smith, John Smith, Francis M. Lyman and myself spoke.

Sunday, July 2, 1899 - Salt Lake City

About six hundred of the presiding officers of the Church met at 10 a.m. in the Temple. All of the First Presidency and Twelve, the Patriarch, the Seven Presidents of the Seventies, the Presiding Bishopric, all of the Presidents of stakes or a Councillor but one were present.

Most of the Bishops of the Church being present and representatives of all of the organizations of the Church.

All of the Presidency and Apostles, Bishop Wm. B. Preston and LeRoy Snow spoke.

We were together for about ten hours. We had lunch in the upper room.

It was a splendid day.

Monday, July 3, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, A. W. Ivins, Henry Eyring and I agreed to the purchase of the Battapetan Ranch.

Myself, A. W. Ivins, A. R. Smith, Levi P. Helm of the Mexican Ag. & Col. Co. Directorate met and passed a resolution authorizing Manager A. W. Ivins to purchase the above named ranch by borrowing ten thousand dollars or so much thereof as might be necessary to do so.

Prest. Joseph F. Smith and I wrote a letter to S. S. Smith, Sr. about his trouble with Campbell over land matters.

Thursday, July 6, 1899 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and Franklin D. Richards, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff and Rudger Clawson met in Council at the Temple. Some talk was had over the Cache Presidency.

I spoke on the question of a more vigorous policy of colonization.

President Snow endorsed me and felt I was the man to do that work, but nothing was decided in regard to that matter.

Sunday, July 16, 1899 - Orangeville, Emery County

The presidency and High Council [met] and talked over stake matters. Bishop Jasper Robertson said he wished to withdraw from the Bishopric. Other men were canvassed to fill the place.

We held a Priesthood meeting and talked over the condition of the stake.

At 7:30 p.m. Orangeville Ward met. Bishop Jasper Robertson resigned and was honorably released by a vote of the people.

On motion of Patriarch Franklin Young, Bp. Jasper Robertson was again sustained as Bishop of Orangeville Ward.

We administered to two sick persons today.

Tuesday, July 18, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I returned home and found that my wife Sarah had gone to the Holy Cross hospital.

In company with Bp. Wm. B. Preston and Anthon H. Lund, I have been appointed an arbitrator in the C. Layton Estate.

Drs. Jos. S. Richards, Wilcox, and Whitney performed an operation on my wife Sarah today. He stitched the womb to abdominal wall. They were 1-10 in doing the operation.

I spent most of the day in the hospital.

Thursday, July 20, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I subscribed one hundred dollars for the fund to give the soldiers returning from Manila a reception.

My wife, Sarah, feels very well.

Friday, July 21, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I was looking after my own business affairs today. I spent some time with my wife Sarah at the Hospital. She is mending some better.

Saturday, July 22, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Groesbeck Co. made its first yearly settlement with D. C. Porter.

Sarah is doing nicely. I took Josephine out riding.

Sunday, July 23, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I attended the funeral of George Scholes, grandson of President Wilford Woodruff. Also the funeral of Mrs. Peart, daughter of Geo. C. Lambert of the Seventh Ward.

Sarah is getting on nicely.

Monday, July 24, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I went out to the Lake with Josephine and my Sister, Mary A. Wimmer.

Tuesday, July 25, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Daniel Segmiller of Upper Kanab was shot and killed by Wm. Roundy on Sunday Morning over a Water trouble.

One Owens has made an accusation against Heber J. Grant for Adultry for living with his Wife Emily Wells.

My wife Sarah is doing nicely.

Saturday, July 29, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I was busy most of the day over the Coop. W. & M. Co. business. Josephine and I went to Lagoon in the evening.

Sunday, July 30, 1899 - Ogden

Myself and wife [Josephine] went up to the Hermitage in Ogden Canyon with Newton Farr and wife. We returned to Lorin Farr home, where we stoped over night.

Monday, July 31, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I returned home by the noon train. I had a good time in visiting Sarah at the hospital and found her mending.

Tuesday, Aug. 1, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I went out [to] the Penitentiary to visit Frank Farr. I had a short visit with him and told him I would do all I could for him if he would do right. The guards say he is doing nicely. I had dinner with the guards.

I spent some time with Sarah. She seems to be improving nicely.

Thursday, Aug. 3, 1899 - Salt Lake City

It is Republican day at Saltair. Arthur Brown, A. L. Thomas, Gov. Heber M. Wells, Mrs. M. A. Breedan, and Myself spoke. Mrs. Jones presided. My son Winslow F. Smith led the singing. I paid Dr. Julian E. Young ten dollars on account of his work and ten dollars for Clair Wimmer. Yesterday I gave her one dollar, the day before, 25 cents.

Friday, Aug. 4, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon at the Coop. W. & M. Co. and Coop. Furniture Co. and the Groesbeck Co.

I was with Sarah at the Hospital part of the afternoon. The evening I spent at Josephine's.

Sunday, Aug. 6, 1899 - Coalville, Summit County

We held a priesthood meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Pres. W. W. Cluff, Myself, Andrew Jensen, and Rudger Clawson spoke to the brethren.

The subjects treated on were the final payment of the meeting house, the Brigham Young Monument, meeting and entertaining the returning volunteers. I spoke on greater care of our daughters.

Bro. Andrew Jensen spoke about building a new Historian Office.

Wednesday, Aug. 9, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent by me in getting my wife Sarah home from the Hospital. I paid for her keep there \$60.00 and to Dr. Whitney \$3.00 for his help to Dr. J. S. Richards at the time of the operation.

The board of the Y.M.M.I.A. met at 5 p.m. met and agreed to call one missionary from each stake to labor among the young people.

Thursday, Aug. 10, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I took Father Lorin Farr out to the Penitentiary to see his Grand Son confined there for Burglary.

Friday, Aug. 11, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I took Enoch Farr out to the Penitentiary to see his son. We took a look through the pen. He had a visit with his son Frank.

My wife is progressing very nicely.

Tuesday, Aug. 15, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Utah Sugar Co. met today at 9:30. The new addition to the factory at Springville is progressing nicely.

I am reading Scott's novel Ivanhoe.

Thursday, Aug. 17, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Pres. Lorenzo Snow, Joseph F. Smith, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, and Rudger Clawson met at the Temple. It was determined to have a silk Temple apron with raised flowers woven.

The Directors of Z.C.M.I., Coop. W. & M. Co, and Heber J. Grant and Co. met today.

The Utah volunteers returning from the Philippines left San Francisco today on a special for home.

Saturday, Aug. 19, 1899 - Salt Lake City

A grand reception was accorded the returning volunteers today with a nice Banquet.

Pres. Lorenzo Snow and party left for Soda Springs and Bear Lake at 8:45 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 20, 1899 - Soda Springs, Idaho

We had a sleeping car. Our company consists of Lorenzo Snow and

wife Mine and their children, Joseph F. Smith, wife Edna and their sons Hyrum and George, Myself and wife Josephine, Heber J. Grant & Mother, Anthon H. Lund, Rudger Clawson and son, Bp. W. B. Preston, J. Golden Kimball and wife, Almira Taylor, Lilly Freeze. Joseph E. Taylor joined us. John R. Barnes did the same. We reached Soda Springs about 8:30 a.m. I put up with Bro. Charles Rose.

We convened the meeting in a nice Bowery at 10 a.m., Prest. Louis S. Pond presiding.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow shook hands with 1,010 persons.

We blest eight sisters who had qualified by study to practice mid-wifery.

2 p.m. Prayer by Joseph E. Taylor. Lorenzo Snow, Wm. B. Preston, Heber J. Grant, Rudger Clawson and J. Golden Kimball, L. S. Pond all spoke on the subject of the payment of tithes.

Monday, Aug. 21, 1899 - Soda Springs

I, Franklin D. Richards & Joseph E. Taylor spoke on the subject of the law of tithing.

2 p.m. Prayer by Rudger Clawson.

LeRoy Snow, Anthon H. Lund, and Joseph F. Smith all spoke on the paying of tithes.

Saturday, Aug. 26, 1899 - Paris, Idaho

Conference convened at 10 a.m. President Lorenzo Snow dwelt upon the law of tithing for 85 minutes and in a most pleasing and forcefull manner. Bp. William B. Preston followed in the same strain, and with a most excelent spirit.

2 p.m. Prayer by LeRoy Snow.

Apostle Anthon H. Lund spoke on the wisdom of obeying every law of the Lord.

President Franklin D. Richards spoke 37 minutes. His mind would not work and he stood for four minutes at a time without saying a word. All were much distressed by his evident growing weakness of Intellect. He seemed very nervous. He, however, stuck to the text.

Joseph E. Taylor made an interesting talk on the Law of tithing.

Sunday, Aug. 27, 1899 - Paris

At 9 a.m. the Sunday schools met in the Tabernacle.

2,511 persons shook hands with President Lorenzo Snow, among them 111 babies, three pair of twins being among the Little ones.

2 p.m. Prayer by Joseph E. Taylor.

The speakers were Hyrum M. Smith, J. Golden Kimball, LeRoy

Snow, Joseph F. Smith, Lorenzo Snow, and Wm. Budge. Spoke on the Law of Tithing.

Prest. Joseph F. Smith and wife Edna and son David, my wife Josephine called upon three of the widows of Charles C. Rich and a widow of Bp. Edwin D. Wooley.

Tuesday, Aug. 29, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I was at home in bed all day. Several friends called upon me.

Wednesday, Aug. 30, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I got out and managed to walk about a little.

Friday, Sept. 1, 1899 - Salt Lake City

My back is feeling badly today. I was at the hot spring in the morning.

Saturday, Sept. 2, 1899 - Mount Pleasant

Prest. Lorenzo Snow spoke 48 minutes. Wm. B. Preston, Joseph E. Taylor, Abraham O. Woodruff and Anthon H. Lund. All spoke on the law of tithing.

Sunday, Sept. 3, 1899 - Mount Pleasant.

Joseph F. Smith spoke 42 minutes, Seymour B. Young 10 minutes, Myself 20 minutes, Arthur Winter 10. All upon the law of tithing.

At 2 p.m. the conference met again. Prayer by Joseph E. Taylor.

The sacrament was administered. Prest. George Q. Cannon spoke on Zions growth and mens duty to their families. Heber J. Grant, LeRoy Snow, J. Golden Kimball and Prest. Lorenzo Snow spoke upon the law of tithing.

The weather has been fine. The attendance was large. A most excelent spirit prevailed.

Wednesday, Sept. 6, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I went to the hot spring with Heber J. Grant and took a bath. I am so lame it is quite difficult for me to get about.

Saturday, Sept. 9, 1899 - Salt Lake City [stake conference]

President Lorenzo Snow and Bp. Wm. B. Preston talked to us on the payment of tithing.

Friday, Sept. 15, 1899 - Provo

I went to Provo to visit my mother, who is quite sick with the shingles.

Saturday, Sept. 16, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I returned home and I spent the entire day trying to secure the Pardon of Frank Farr from the Penitentiary.

The Pardoning board took matter under advisement.

Sunday, Sept. 17, 1899 - Farmington

Father Farr and I went to Farmington. We put up at Bro. Ezra T. Clark's.

The conference of the stake convened at 10 a.m. in a Bowery.

President Lorenzo Snow shook hands with 2,121 Sunday School children.

Monday, Sept. 18, 1899 - Farmington

I went to Farmington at 8 a.m. Conference in the Bowery at 10 a.m. Prayer by Arthur Winter. President Lorenzo Snow set the pace by talking on Tithing and requested the other speakers to do the same.

Tuesday, Sept. 19, 1899 - Ogden

We went as far as Ogden. I joined my wife at Enoch Farr Orchard and spent the ballance of the day eating mellons.

Wednesday, Sept. 20, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I returned home and was sick all day. I met with the Y.M.M.I.A. board and attended the Wedding reception of Miss Rachel Grant and John E. Taylor.

Thursday, Sept. 21, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon, Brigham Young, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, and Rudger Clawson met in Council at the Temple. We met at the President's office and discussed the question of diking the Utah Lake and trying [the] trouble for the Jordan Power Co. with the canals.

Friday, Sept. 22, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Bp. Joseph L. Rawlins, Brigham Young, Geo. Q. Cannon, F. S. Richards, and Myself met and talked the Utah Lake matter.

J. Golden Kimball and I set apart eight Elders for missions. I blest my neice Margaret May Merrill for a mission to school at New York.

Thursday, Sept. 28, 1899 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and F. M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, Brigham Young and Abraham O. Woodruff of the Apostles met in Council at the Temple. The question of saving Prest. D. K. Udall from his creditors was considered.

Monday, Oct. 2, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I called upon Judge Bishop about Frank Farr.

I am considering the purchase of Bamberger's stock in the Groesbeck Co.

Tuesday, Oct. 3, 1899 - Salt Lake City and Provo

I went to Provo on the evening train. My mother is still very poorly.

Friday, Oct. 6, 1899 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

The 70th Semi Annual Conference convened at the Tabernacle at 10 a.m. All of the presidency present. All but Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young & John W. Taylor of the Apostles were present.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow made a few opening remarks. Rudger Clawson spoke on duty, Abraham O. Woodruff on Colonization, Matthias F. Cowley on Missionary Work.

2 p.m.

Anthon H. Lund on tithing, Marriner W. Merrill on obedience. Heber J. Grant on duty. Geo. Teasdale on the full law of the Gospel.

Saturday, Oct. 7, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Conference convened at 10 a.m. Singing. Page 166, We Thank Thee Oh God for a Prophet.

Prayer by Charles W. Penrose. . . . President Lorenzo Snow spoke 1:15 on the law of Tithing. I spoke 35 m. on the monument fund and the Amusements of the Young and tithing.

Heber J. Grant and I met with the owners of the Jordan River Water and spent some time coming to an understanding as to what course to pursue in regard to our troubles with the Lambron power plant.

At 2 p.m. conference convened again.

Francis M. Lyman and Joseph F. Smith both spoke on the law of tithing.

At 7:30 p.m. the Priesthood met in the Tabernacle.

Bp. Wm. B. Preston on the observance of the law of tithing.

Andrew Jenson of Keeping proper Records. Geo. Q. Cannon on good works. President Lorenzo Snow on paying your debts and keeping out of debt and maintaining the strictest Integrity as a Church and Individuals.

Word came that an effort was being made to arrest Prest. Lorenzo Snow.

Sunday, Oct. 8, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The papers contain the information tha[t] Prest. Lorenzo Snow has been accused of Unlawfull Cohabitation by a Charles M. Owen.

Geo. Q. Cannon presented all of the General Authorities.

Joseph W. McMurrin spoke on proper preparation for mission work.

Prest. Joseph F. Smith gave us a splendid discourse on our duties in the church. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon spoke on consistency in Prayer.

An overflow meeting was held in the Assembly hall and the room was full.

At the Tabernacle in the evening the Sunday School held a Jubilee. 17 languages were represented.

The spirit of the Conference has been of the best.

Monday, Oct. 9, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Priesthood meeting convened at 10 a.m. in the Assembly Hall.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow blest the brethren.

Francis M. Lyman spoke on the payment of the Monument fund and upon ordination.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow spoke about giving second endowments.⁸

Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow and wife Minnie, Joseph F. Smith and wife Julina, Francis M. Lyman, Myself and wife Sarah, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant & wife Augusta, M. W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley & wife Abigail, Abraham O. Woodruff and Mother, Bp. William B. Preston and wife, Robert T. Burton and wife, John R. Winder and wife Had dinner at Geo. Q. Cannon's home. Twenty- nine of us sat down to the table. We had an elegant dinner.

Wednesday, Oct. 11, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I attended the meeting of the Home Fire Insurance Co. Directors. They gave one hundred dollars to the Monument fund.

Friday, Oct. 13, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I was at the President's office during the morning hour. President Lorenzo Snow agreed to advance Lyman's and my compensation to two hundred and Fifty dollars per month.

I met Governor Stunenberg of Idaho this morning.

President Lorenzo Snow, Joseph F. Smith, Francis M. Lyman, and myself met with Gov. Heber M. Wells and had a talk over the appointment of A U.S. Senator. Judge Bartch wants the place.

Sunday, Oct. 15, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The country is covered with snow and it is still falling.

I went to Provo and attended the forenoon meeting of the Conference. I spoke for 35 minutes on the completion of the Brigham Young Monument.

⁸Lorenzo Snow wanted "Second annointings to be given to faithful brethren. It is not necessary, he said, to wait until they are ready to drop into their graves" (Rudger Clawson diary, Oct. 9, 1899, Special Collections, Marriott Library).

I had a visit with my mother, who is sick. I paid her Z.C.M.I. dividend of \$4.00.

I attended the funeral of Don R. Coray. Rev. Goldwin, Reed Smoot, and I spoke. Father Howard Coray told me Hyrum Smith sealed his wife, Martha Jane Knowlton to him on or about October 20th 1843 in the City of Nauvoo, Ill. while they were riding in the Patriarch's company and in his carriage.

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Anthon H. Lund and I called upon President Angus M. Cannon and talked over the division of the Salt Lake Stake. I paid to W. C. Spence in behalf of McHale to aid in the bringing of his wife from Illinois \$15.00. A large number of Elders were set apart for Missions at the Annex of the Temple today.

R. R. Anderson read the result of his finding in Auditing the Accounts of the Los Angeles R.R. and Saltair Beach to Prest. Lorenzo Snow, Francis M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, Myself and Rudger Clawson. There was some strange things.

I paid Heber J. Grant	\$35.00.
" " " " & Co.	\$8.00

Thursday, Oct. 19, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I signed some papers and a note at Zions Saving bank this morning.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow, Joseph F. Smith, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, and Rudger Clawson met at the Temple. It was decided to divide Salt Lake stake into three, Deviding at 10th South in the south of Salt Lake City and along state street. The East to be called Granite and the West, Jordan. Frank Y. Taylor was chosen to preside over Granite and Orin P. Miller to preside over Jordan. Myself and A. H. Lund to organize the stakes.

We determined not to allow in future any change for reporting the blessings of the Elders.

I attended the Directors meeting of Z.C.M.I. The[y] Donated \$500.00 to the Monument fund.

The Directors of the Theatre Co. met and accepted the resignation of R. W. Young as secretary and appointed Horace Ensign in his place.

My daughter Elsie Louise was Eight years old today. I baptized and confirmed her a member of the church.

Saturday, Oct. 21, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I appeared before the board of pardons today in favor of Frank Farr. His appeal was granted and he will be released tomorrow.

I had a long talk with President L. Snow on the management of the Deseret News. He wants to change its spirit a little.

My sons Nicholas and Nathaniel went to Elias Woodruff's ranch and got a load of Straw.

Sunday, Oct. 22, 1899 - Salt Lake City

It looks like storm. Two returned Elders, one from Samoa and the other from Colorado, and myself spoke at the Tabernacle this afternoon. I met with my Prayer Circle in the Temple.

My Daughter Sarah A. is 21 years old today.

Monday, Oct. 23, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I secured the Pardon of Frank Farr from the Secretary of State and took my wife Sarah and Bell Christiansen in my Carriage and drove out to the Penitentiary.

We brought Frank away with us. Walter Farr is doing nicely. I called upon Sister Lambson who is very sick. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon is dangerously sick at New York City of Pneumonia.

Wednesday, Oct. 25, 1899 - Salt Lake City and Ogden

I went to Ogden City today and called upon President Franklin D. Richards. I regard him as a dangerously sick man.

I met Frank Farr and gave him some advice.

I called upon County Attorney George Halverson and had a talk with him over Walter Farr case. He promised to give me any help he could to relieve him from prison when I thought proper to make the effort. I returned home in the evening. I attended the Republican Rally.

Thursday, Oct. 26, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon is still very sick. President Lorenzo Snow, Joseph F. Smith, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, and Rudger Clawson met in council and had prayers. It was decided to make M. W. Merrill President of Cache Stake.

The Directors of Heber J. Grant & Co. met today. We voted to cut down our stock one half.

Sunday, Oct. 29, 1899 - Logan

In company with President Lorenzo Snow, Arthur Winter, and LeRoy Snow, I went to Logan to attend the conference.

The morning meeting was addressed by Francis M. Lyman and myself.

At 2 p.m. conference convened.

President Orson Smith resigned as President of the stake. President

Lorenzo Snow accepted it and spoke kindly of his labors. Charles Kelley and Bp. Wm. B. Preston spoke.

Monday, Oct. 30, 1899 - Logan

Conference at 10 a.m.

President Lorenzo Snow presented Marriner W. Merrill to preside over the Cache Stake. He was unanimously sustained. He chose Joseph Morrell and Isaac Smith as councillors. All spoke a short time and said they would do their best. Bro. Merrill related a dream he had had about Satan.

Our party returned to the City. My wife Sarah is 50 years old today. About 25 of our kindred came in and spent the evening with us.

Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Wm. B. Preston, Anthon H. Lund, and myself met with Christoher Layton and his Lawyers and talked the condition of C. Layton's Estate affairs.

I went to the Polls and cast my vote for the Republican ticket.

Wednesday, Nov. 8, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Francis M. Lyman, Anthon H. Lund, and Myself considered the cases of Dr. C. Plant and Joseph Cluff and recommended the decision of the high councils be sustained.

Thursday, Nov. 9, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Lorenzo Snow, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley and Abraham O. Woodruff met in Council at the Apostles room in Temple. I reported my doings in Summit Stake. Brigham reported on his coking effort. Abraham O. Woodruff was appointed to look after colonization matters.

The work of Brigham Young in the East and what the Church would do was taken up at 3 p.m. but nothing was done.

My brother Charles W. Smith is employed as night watchman by the Groesbeck Co.

I paid \$12.10 for clothes for my brother Charles today.

Sunday, Nov. 12, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day at home reading in the Book of Mormon.

Monday, Nov. 13, 1899 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah and I attended a reception given to Mrs. J. Ellen Foster of Washington, D. C. at the Residence of J. W. McCune. Lorenzo Snow, Judges Barch, Miner, and Baskin, Arthur Brown, and many other gentlemen and Ladies were present.

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Wm. B. Preston, Anthon H. Lund and Myself went to Layton,

Davis Co. We had a large number of Christopher Layton's family together and talked over the Estate's affairs. All present spoke. Two of the wives, Caroline and Mary, were somewhat out of sorts.

Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Thirty Elders were set apart for missions today.

Robert Dyer Green, Geo. L. Whittle, Heber D. Stephens, and Arthur H. Woodbury were ordained Seventies by me and, with Franklin H. Isom were set apart for missions to the southern states.

I paid taxes \$503.28.

Sunday, Nov. 19, 1899 - Brigham City

Prest. Lorenzo Snow, A. H. Lund, Abraham O. Woodruff, Frank Y. Taylor and myself went to Brigham City to attend the Quarterly Conference. President L. Snow shook hands with 1,065 Sunday school children.

Tuesday, Nov. 21, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The members of the Literary and Scientific society voted to close their business by transferring their property to Lorenzo Snow, Trustee in Trust of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in payment of a debt of about \$25,000.00. Prest. G. Q. Cannon presided.

Wednesday, Nov. 22, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I attended the funeral of Miss Annie Maeser. Prayer by George Reynolds. James E. Talmage, Myself, Heber J. Grant, A. H. Lund, M. F. Cowley, Joshua Paul, Benj. Cluff, Jr., Prest. Angus M. Cannon and Bp. Isaac Barton spoke of her consistent life.

Thursday, Nov. 23, 1899 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and Brigham Young, Myself, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley and Rudger Clawson met in council. We thought after some talk if the brethren were asked to obey the law they had better say yes.

Friday, Nov. 24, 1899 - Ogden

Bishop George Romney, Manager Geo. T. Odell and myself went to Ogden and went through the notes and accounts of the Coop. W. & M. Co. Manager Ed Woolley has resigned.

Saturday, Nov. 25, 1899 - Montpelier, Idaho

We went to Montpelier and spent the entire day going through the notes and accounts of the Coop. W. & M. Co.

We found matters in very good shape.

Thursday, Nov. 30, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I witnessed a football game today between the East Denver high school team and the Salt Lake City high school team. Neither made a score.

I ate Thanksgiving dinner with my wife Josephine.

Friday, Dec. 1, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I wrote a letter to Bp. John Howard of Prospect, Bingham Co., Idaho in regard to his wife Josephine leaving him.

My son Nathaniel and I cleaned up our front yard.

Saturday, Dec. 2, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The question as to whether the Church should put up more money for the Sterling Mines came up and it was decided to let the property go. Some options to lands at Cedar City were also passed upon and it was decided to let them lapse. President Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Franklin S. Richards, James Jack, John M. Cannon, John R. Winder and myself being present.

Monday, Dec. 4, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I looked over the new building of the Coop. W. & M. Co. It will take one more week to complete the roof.

The [United States] House of Representatives refused to permit Brigham H. Roberts to be sworn in.

Tuesday, Dec. 5, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I went with my folks to visit the Utah Art Institute. They have a very fine collection of pictures.

Brigham H. Roberts made a talk in Congress. A committee was appointed to Investigate his case.

Thursday, Dec. 7, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The evening was spent at home. I signed 102 certificates of membership in the Republican League Clubs.

Friday, Dec. 8, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Franklin D. Richards is reported as dangerously sick.

Saturday, Dec. 9, 1899 - Salt Lake City

President Franklin D. Richards died this morning at his home in Ogden City.

Sunday, Dec. 10, 1899 - Box Elder County

I went to Beaver Ward in Box Elder Stake. Rudger Clawson, Charles Kelley and his Councillors and others joined us.

The people have built a new stone meeting [house] that cost \$5,774.72.

Our morning was very pleasant. We had a nice picknick in the basement. At the afternoon meeting Elder Rudger Clawson offered the Dedictory prayer. Several of us spoke. A most excelent spirit prevailed. We returned home to the City.

Monday, Dec. 11, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I paid a visit to the Penitentiary to see Walter Farr. It has stormed part of the day. We are finding it very difficult to keep all things going ok in getting a proper supply of coal.

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 1899 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and all of the Apostles but M. W. Merrill and Abraham O. Woodruff attended the funeral of President Franklin D. Richards.

Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I felt an earthquake about 7 a.m.

I attended the funeral of Emily Partridge Smith, [plural] wife of the Prophet Joseph.

Friday, Dec. 15, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Utah Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. and declaired a dividend of 4 1/2 per cent for the quarter.

Bishop Wm. B. Preston, Anthon H., Lund, Christoher Layton and myself had a meeting about the Layton Estate.

I read the letters of Mrs. J. Ellen Foster and Wm. Glasmann. They say B. H. Roberts cannot get his seat.

Monday, Dec. 18, 1899 - Beaver City

We visited the Latter Day Saints College at Fort Cameron and talked to the students. It is a nice school.

Jacob Bigler and wife are stoping here. He requested me to attend his funeral. He is now 87 years old.

Friday, Dec. 22, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I bot four sets of Knives and Forks, paid \$15.00. Z.C.M.I. gave one hundred tons of coal to the poor as a Christmas present.

Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1899 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the City. Walter Farr has filed his petition for pardon.

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1899 - Salt Lake City

Enoch Farr and I went out to the Penitentiary to see Walter Farr.

Francis M. Lyman and I spent the evening at the residence of H. B. Clawson with chief Justice Bartch. We had a long talk over the situation at Washington. Bartch says an effort will be made to disfranchise all of the Mormon people.

Thursday, Dec. 28, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met and decided to sell one hundred thousand dollars more stock and pay off the debts of the company.

Friday, Dec. 29, 1899 - Salt Lake City

All of the first Presidency and Prest. Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, A. O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson, Wm. B. Preston, Robt. T. Burton, John R. Winder, S. B. Young and Chas W. Penrose met in Council and talked over the situation of our political affairs both in the east and here.

Saturday, Dec. 30, 1899 - Salt Lake City

The same that met yesterday, less F. M. Lyman and Geo. Teasdale, met today and talked further as to what [we] were to do.

Monday, Jan. 1, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I had a long talk with Prest L. Snow.

I had dinner with Josephine and the children.

The day was foggy.

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I paid for Samuel Cooper \$126.65 taxes today. I paid James \$16.35. I paid the Paragon Shoe Co. \$7.65. I paid Interest at Zions Savings & T. Co. \$255.65 on Interest.

Thursday, Jan. 4, 1900 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Anthon H. Lund, Abraham O. Woodruff and Rudger Clawson met in Council. We voted to purchase fifty-one thousand dollars of the Theatre Stock.

We decided to change the management of the Saltair Beach and the Los Angeles R.R.

Friday, Jan. 5, 1900 - Salt Lake City

President Lorenzo Snow told me today he was thinking of having me go to Washington.

I read a letter today to Orson which establishes the fact that O. F. Whitney is mixed up with C. W. Stayner in the baby Resurrection Theory. The letter was signed by Nephi.

Anthon H. Lund, Wm. B. Preston, John Donaldson and myself held a consultation on the Layton estate affair. We agreed on the division of that Estate.

Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1900 - Salt Lake City

All of the Apostles but Rudger Clawson met in the Temple at 10 a.m. Brigham Young presiding.

Brigham Young gave words of Wisdom. Abraham O. Woodruff talked on Colonization. Matthias F. Cowley bore testimony to the whole truth. Anthon H. Lund felt we should be guarded in what we did. Rudger Clawson came in and gave us a good general talk. Marriner W. Merrill gave us some of his early experience and stood strong for polygamy. John W. Taylor was for Zion first and last.

I bot some oil. One of Josephine's children is quite sick.

2 p.m. Prayer by John W. Taylor.

John W. Taylor spoke on missionary work. Heber J. Grant on his feelings against F. J. Cannon and Peter W. Madsen.

Rudger Clawson made some talk on the keeping of accounts.

At 4 p.m. the Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met. I was reelected President for the year.

Wednesday, Jan. 10, 1900 - Salt Lake City

All of the Apostles but Rudger Clawson met in council at the Temple at 10 a.m., President Brigham Young presiding.

Brigham Young spoke on the Union of the Apostles. George Teasdale gave a talk on marriage and stood firmly in favor of polygamy. I spoke on our being prudent and not talking to much.

The Apostles met at 2:30 p.m. Prayer by Heber J. Grant. Francis M. Lyman favored a conservative policy and not to much talk these times. He was against any of the leading brethren taking part in politics.

Thursday, Jan. 11, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I spent the evening with the children at Josephine's. Some of them were quite poorly.

Monday, Jan. 15, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The President has determined that I should go East.⁹

⁹In the wake of the election of 1898 there was a resurgence of anti-polygamy sentiment in the country and a movement for an anti-polygamy amendment to the U.S. Constitution. This had occurred at least partly because of the election of Brigham H. Roberts, a member of the church Quorum of Seventy and a polygamist, to the House of Representatives. Roberts was denied his seat after an intense campaign by religious groups, leaving the state with only one senator and no member of the House.

The Directors of the Utah Sugar Co. met at 9:30 a.m. The Company has ground up 52,625 tons of beets. The run was for 129 days. The beets have made the yield of 254 lbs. to the ton.

I spent the evening at Josephine's.

Tuesday, Jan. 16, 1900 - Salt Lake City

President Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith set me apart for my mission, Geo. Q. Cannon being mouth.

Wednesday, Jan. 17, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I left over the Union Pacific R.R. for the East. I spent the day reading.

Saturday, Jan. 20, 1900 - Chicago

I staid overnight at Bro. H. J. Sears.

In the evening we went to the Wedding of Brother and Sister Oscar Ariel Nelson and Carrie Marrie Andersen at No. 1657 Whipple Street.

I married them. We had a grand supper and about sixty person[s] sat down to the Tables. Singing and music were indulged in.

Tuesday, Jan. 23, 1900 - on train

I said goodbye to the Sears family and took train for Washington, D.C. Bp. H. B. Clawson was with me.

Wednesday, Jan. 24, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

We changed cars and had a very pleasant run by way of Baltimore, Maryland to Washington, D.C. We put up at the Shoreham. I visited the Capital and met a few friends. I wrote letters to my Sons Winslow and Nicholas.

I sent an order on James Jack to each of my wives for fifty dollars.

Thursday, Jan. 25, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

I visited the Museum and art Galery. It is an elegant Marbel structure. There are some fine Paintings and sculpture. In the evening I visited National Library Building. I believe it to be the finest structure in all the world.

Brigham H. Roberts was excluded from Congress by a vote of 268 to 50.

Senator Geo. L. Shoup of Idaho called upon me this evening and expressed to me the kindest of feelings.

Friday, Jan. 26, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

It is an exceedingly raw cold day. I called upon Bro. B. H. Roberts and had quite a lengthy talk with him. He feels somewhat depressed in spirits but bears up in a reasonably good way. Judge G. W. Bartch has

arrived and is feeling well. We have concluded to remain at the Shoreham. We went to the Theatre in the evening.

Saturday, Jan. 27, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

I called upon U.S. Senators Joseph L. Rawlins, Geo. L. Shoup, Shelby M. Cullom, [Mc? written between lines], C. D. Clark, and Congressman F. W. Mondell. All treated me nicely. I wrote to Lorenzo Snow.

Sunday, Jan. 28, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

I was at the Hotel most of the day. I called up B. H. Roberts at the Metropolitan Hotel and found Senator Jos. L. Rawlins there. I had a short visit [with] them.

In the evening I gave a supper. The guests were Senator Joseph L. Rawlins, Genl. J. S. Clarkson, Judge G. W. Bartch, B. H. Roberts and H. B. Clawson. It cost \$2.50 a plate, \$5.00 room, and dollar each for three servants. We had a nice supper of some 12 courses.

All refused wine.

Monday, Jan. 29, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

It is very cold. President Wm. McKinley is 57 years old today. In company with Senator Geo. L. Shoup of Idaho, Bp. H. B. Clawson and I spent thirty minutes with the President. We had a pleasant talk on Utah affairs. I made some explanations as to family matters and the decadence [decrease] of plural relations and told him the Mormon people had kept faith. The President Introduced us to Secretary of War Root.

I spent the afternoon at the Capatol and had conversations with several senators and some Representatives. I believe that a constitutional amendment will not pass.

Tuesday, Jan. 30, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

Judge Geo. W. Bartch, Bp. H. B. Clawson and myself called upon Gen. L. T. Michner at the Pacific building and had a nice visit.

He gave me a letter of Introduction to Representative Landis of Indiana. I called upon Senators Jones of Arkansas, C. M. Depew of New York, Geo. L. Shoup of Idaho, Penrose of Pennsylvania, Wm. M. Stewart of Nevada and McBride of Oregon.

I had a nice short visit with Littlefield of Maine and Landis of Indiana.

Bp. Clawson and I spent the evening with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Foster at their Rooms at the Portner building. They live in a Flat on the seventh floor.

Wednesday, Jan. 31, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

Bp. H. B. Clawson and I spent some time in listening to speeches both in the Senate and house. I had a short visit with Senator C. D. Clark,

Senator Geo. L. Shoup, O. J. Salisbury, C. O. Whittemore, H. B. Clawson, Judge Geo. W. Bartch and called upon Chairman Babcock of the National [Republican] Congressional Committee and talked over political affairs in the West. He promised to help us with money if he could and our showing could warrant it.

Bro. H. B. Clawson and I went to the Theatre to see the play "Why Smith left Town."

I wrote letters to Don and Chase.

It was an extremely cold day.

Thursday, Feb. 1, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

It is bitter cold for this City.

Bro. H. B. Clawson and I called at the Raleigh Hotel but failed to find Mr. Salisbury.

I wrote letters to Prest. Lorenzo Snow and my son George.

Bro. H. B. Clawson and I spent the afternoon at the Capitol. We met Senators Hoar of Mass., Cullum of Ill., Platt of Connecticut, Warren of Wy. and Shoup of Idaho, Mondell, the Representative from Wy.

Judge Geo. W. Bartch is busy as a Bee. He had a talk with the President today and was much pleased with it.

Friday, Feb. 2, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

Cold. I spent most of the day at the Capitol.

I had an interview with Senator Allison of Iowa and he and Senator Shoup promised me that the proposed Amendment would not go into law.

I spent the evening at the Hotel with O. J. Salisbury, C. O. Whittemore, and Judge Bartch. The Judge left for home this evening.

I received a letter from Gen. L. T. Michner asking that the Deseret News be modified in its utterances.

We are told that the Committee on Judiciary will consider the proposed amendment business in a few days. Bro. H. B. Clawson and [I?] lent Judge Geo. W. Bartch \$12.50 cash.

Saturday, Feb. 3, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

I spent the night at the Lafayette Turkish Baths.

In company with H. B. Clawson and Senator Geo. L. Shoup we called upon the Postmaster General George Emery Smith and two of his assistants. We had a frank talk with him in regard to John C. Graham and he said he would leave Graham alone until the courts had passed upon the case. If he was found guilty they would give Jas. Clove a fair consideration.

I wrote letters to my wife Sarah and to my mother.

Sunday, Feb. 4, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

Bp. H. B. Clawson and I had a nice visit with Speaker Henderson and Senator Shoup. We talked over matters in Utah quite frankly.

We had an elegant Dinner. I wrote letters to Josephine and my daughter Sarah.

Monday, Feb. 5, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

Bp. H. B. Clawson and I called up Senator Mark Hanna and had a short talk with him. We called upon Secretary Meiklejohn of the War department.

We then went and had a visit with with 4th Assistant Postmaster General Bristow and talked over the J. C. Graham matter. He said he would do the best he could for him.

I spent two hours in the library building. I had a visit with Senator Thos. Casten of Montana. C. O. Whittemore took [me] to the land office and Introduced me to Commissioner Berger Herrmann.

Tuesday, Feb. 6, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

I had short interviews today with Senators Chandler and Gallinger of New Hampshire.

I attended a lecture on Art.

I took a run over to Arlington Cemetery and enjoyed it very much.

Thursday, Feb. 8, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

I wrote to President Lorenzo Snow.

Bp. H. B. Clawson and I had a nice visit with Gen. G. H. Williams. He promised to help us all he could consistently. We went to the Grand Theatre and where they had a variety of good things. I was laughing from Beginning to end.

Friday, Feb. 9, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

I received letters from Senator Francis E. Warren and Judge Wm. M. McCarty. The latter gave a little history of Political affairs in Utah. He also sent me a check for \$50.00. I wrote to Judge McCarty. I put both of Judge McCarty letters into the hands of Senator M. A. Hanna to read.

We spent the evening with Gen. George H. Williams and he gave us some information as to the actions of the house committee on Judiciary and a letter of Introduction to Hon. Jesse Overstreet.

Saturday, Feb. 10, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

I called upon Mr. Mark Hanna and some other parties and had a short talk.

I spent the afternoon in the Capitol and made an effort to see Senators Stephen B. Elkins and E. O. Wolcott.

I had a Turkish Bath in the evening.

Sunday, Feb. 11, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

Bro. H. B. Clawson and I visited the Soldiers Home and Tried to find Seth Ford but we failed.

I spent the evening reading in the Doctrine and Covenants.

Monday, Feb. 12, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

It rained all day. I got to see Mr. Jesse Overstreet and found him cold and stiff. Bp. H. B. Clawson and I went to the National Theatre in the evening. Primrose and Co. gave a good entertainment.

We mailed to President Lorenzo Snow all of the Resolutions introduced into the House of Representatives proposing to amend the Constitution of the United States in regard to Polygamy and Polygamous Cohabitation.

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

We called upon Senator S. B. Elkins but he was not at home. We met Senator Hanna and Chairman Babcock and had a talk with Mrs. Judith Ellen Foster. She will go to Utah if the Committee want her.

Wednesday, Feb. 14, 1900 - Washington, D.C.

Bp. H. B. Clawson and me in company with Senator Geo. L. Shoup Called upon President Wm. McKinley. He received us nicely and said we should not be hurt. We had a good handshake and he seemed very happy. I told him I would do all I could for him but that he must not overestimate my strength.

I called upon Commissioner H. C. Evans and Commissioner Berger Hermann of the land office. Both wished to be Kindly remembered to my son Geo. A. Smith. Bp. H. B. Clawson and I called upon Sister Franklin S. Richards at the Riggs house. We left for New York at 10:30 p.m.

[Went to New York and met with missionaries, February 15; left for home, February 16.]

Sunday, Feb. 18, 1900 - on train in Iowa

I spent the day reading and visiting. Ex. U.S. Senator Carey of Wyoming and I had a good visit.

Tuesday, Feb. 20, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I called upon Prest. Lorenzo Snow. He was pleased to see me.

He told me there were two brethren of the Hedrekit church wanted to form a combination with us and the Reorganized Church to build a Temple at Independence, Mo.

Wednesday, Feb. 21, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Francis M. Lyman, My-

self, George Teasdale, John W. Taylor, M. W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund, W. B. Preston and John R. Winder and Abraham O. Woodruff met in Council with George D. Cole and George Pack Frisby of the Hedrekite church. They had come upon a mission to us to make the proposition that they and We and the Reorganized church unite and build a Temple at Independence, Missouri. We heard their proposition and then they withdrew. Prest. Joseph F. Smith joined us and the matter considered, all speaking as they felt. President Lorenzo Snow then decided We could not meet the wishes of the other parties and he so notified them.

We agreed to pay their expenses, however, and thank them for their Kindley feeling.

My niece Irene Merrill was married today in the Temple by Prest. Joseph F. Smith to Stephen Richards. My son George A. has met with a serious accident to one of his eyes.

Friday, Feb. 23, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I went through the Temple for my 7th great uncle William Smith and, and my sister, Elizabeth Smith Cartwright for his wife and we had them sealed. Prest. Joseph F. Smith and his family acted for some of his children, and all were adopted to the Prophet Joseph Smith.

Sunday, Feb. 25, 1900 - Bloomington, Bear Lake County, Idaho

Bp. Wilford Clark took us to Liberty to see Bp. Ed Austin, who has had a sorely afflicted family, having had Typhoid fever in his family for over 7 months and a son of 18 years and a daughter 21 years old having died. The later laying dead in the house now.

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I paid S. A. Kenner \$10.00, Dr. Jos. S. Richards \$20.00, Joseph F. Smith \$100.00. I paid Dr. E. Young \$10.00, John C. Cutler \$10.00.

Thursday, March 1, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The Democratic party held their convention today. Judge William H. King received the nomination for Congress.

Friday, March 2, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The Republican Convention met today and nominated James T. Hammond for Congress.

Thursday, March 8, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Anthon H. Lund, Myself, and Wife Josephine went up to Kaysville to attended the family gathering of Christoher Layton to commemorate his 74th birthday. About three hundred persons were present. We had songs and speaches and a nice dinner.

The Engine on the train on which we returned home was very badly

damaged by going to pieces. Luckily no one was hurt. We were delayed two hours.

I see by the evening paper I was elected a Director of the Saltair Beach Co. today.

Friday, March 9, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I was working most of the day on my father's history.

My sons Winslow, Nicholas, Nathaniel, Joseph and myself plowed up my garden. The horses were quite nervous.

My wife Sarah and I went to the Theatre. The play was The Rivals.

Saturday, March 10, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I worked in the garden most of the day.

I got from Aunt Bathsheba three of Father's journals and a bundle of papers. One [of] the books contains a Biographical sketch that will save me much work.

Monday, March 12, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I was working on my father's history until quite late at night, my son Winslow F. helping me.

Wednesday, March 14, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I attended a meeting of the Directors of the Saltair Beach Co. We talked over the securing of a Manager for that Company's business.

The Y.M.M.I.A. Board met at 5 p.m.

Thursday, March 15, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed from the Deseret Savings bank \$17,060.00 to buy stock in the Groesbeck Co. My wife J. G. signed one note of \$10,000.00 and I for \$7,060.00. We put up Groesbeck Co. stock as security, 4,265 shares.

The Directors of the Sugar Co. met. They declared a dividend of three per cent.

All of the Presidency and F. M. Lyman, Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Anthon H. Lund, Abraham O. Woodruff, and Rudger Clawson met at the Temple and had prayers. Jesse W. Crosby was released as President of the Panguitch stake at his own request to move into the Big Horn Country in Wyoming.

Friday, March 16, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of President Lorenzo Snow most of the day.

Josephine and I attended a Relief Society meeting and had supper in the 12th Ward. It was to commemorate the organization of that body 58 years ago tomorrow. Papers were read by the sisters and I spoke a few minutes.

Saturday, March 17, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency thought I better take part in the campaign if I felt to do so.

Tuesday, March 20, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I had my stock in the H. J. Grant & Co. reduced from 5 to 3 shares and received \$204.45 in cash for the difference. I paid the cash on my note at the State Bank. I also paid \$50.00 interest. I paid \$10.00 on account of insurance.

Friday, March 23, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I had part in setting apart for missions a large number of brethren.

At 8:45 p.m. I left on the train in Company with Joseph W. McMurrin for Rexburg, Fremont Co., Idaho.

Sunday, March 25, 1900 - Rexburg, Idaho

During most of the noon hour and presidency of the stake and most of the members of the High Council met and after talking over the condition of several of its members, on Motion of John L. Roberts they decided to dissolve.

I restored to Benjamin W. Driggs Jr. his rights in the Priesthood upon the Recommendation of the Bishop of his ward and Prest. Thos. E. Ricks.

At 4 p.m. the Priesthood came together. The action of the High Council was endorsed and they were released. [A new high council was sustained.]

Thursday, March 29, 1900 - Salt Lake City

President Lorenzo Snow is in quite poor health.

I made an arrangement [for] Dr. L. Snow to operate on my eye.

Friday, March 30, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Dr. Leslie Snow cut a growth off[f] from my left eye today, Dr. Joseph S. Richards helping.

Saturday, March 31, 1900 - Salt Lake City

At home all day nursing my eye.

Sunday, April 1, 1900 - Salt Lake City

At home. Josephine read to me most of the day.

Monday, April 2, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Lorenzo Snow will be 86 years old tomorrow. The Temple work[ers] celebrated this day today, at which were all of the First Presidency and most of the apostles and Seven Presidents of Seventies. It was held in the Annex, Bp. John R. Winder presiding. A lunch having been provided,

Bp. Geo. Romney blest it and then we ate. About two hundred persons were present.

Singing and words of praise and respect were spoken by a number of the brethren.

Judge William H. King was elected to Congress today by about 14,000 majority over Hammond, Republican.

Thursday, April 5, 1900 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the apostles and Rudger Clawson met and finished up their conference work. At 11 a.m. all of the First Presidency and Rudger Clawson joined us.

The Sacrament was administered, Brigham Young blessing it. President Lorenzo Snow said the question of the seniority of Joseph F. Smith or Brigham Young in the Council of the Apostles was one of moment and must be decided.

It was determined unanimously that Joseph F. Smith was the senior, he having been sustained by the Apostles and church and ordained and set apart as a member of the Council of the Apostles. Brigham had been ordained an apostle when a boy by his Father and taken in to the Council of the Apostles some years later by setting apart and the vote of the Twelve and Saints.

The President requested us to hand to him two names each to fill the vacancy in the Twelve. Brigham is to preside in the Councils of the Twelve while President Geo. Q. Cannon shall act as Councillor to President Lorenzo Snow. Benediction by Geo. Q. Cannon.

This has been a great day to the church of Christ.

Saturday, April 7, 1900 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

7 p.m. Priesthood meeting.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow spoke on non-tithe payers. He exhibited a book in which he said ten thousand names were recorded who claimed standing in the church but paid no tithes.

Sunday, April 8, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Conference convened at 10 a.m.

Rudger Clawson spoke on tithing. Joseph F. Smith followed on the same subject.

All of the Presidency and Apostles met at the President's office and agreed that Reed Smoot should fill the vacancy in the Council of the Apostles. He was invited in and told by Prest. Lorenzo Snow what had been decided upon. He said he had never dreamed of it nor had any feeling that he was fit for the place, but if the brethren felt he would do he would do his best. After Instructions by Presidents Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith and Francis M. Lyman and myself our meeting closed.

2 p.m. Conference.

All of the General Authorities were sustained, Reed Smoot among the number. He spoke.

Monday, April 9, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Priesthood meeting at 10 a.m. Prayer by Reed Smoot.

Lorenzo Snow, George Q. Cannon, Heber J. Grant, Francis M. Lyman, George Teasdale, and Wm. B. Preston spoke upon the law of tithing.

All of the Presidency but Joseph F. Smith and all of the Apostles but John W. Taylor met at the President's office. Reed Smoot was ordained an Apostle under the hands of his brethren, President Lorenzo Snow being mouth, Edward Partridge and Geo. F. Gibbs being present.

Tuesday, April 10, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My daughters Arzella and Josephine are down with the measles.

Thursday, April 12, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Lehi Sugar Co. met at 9:30 a.m. I was elected a Delegate to the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress and the[y] gave me \$150.00 to pay my expenses.

[Went to Houston, Texas, for Trans-Mississippi Congress, April 13-20, then to Mexico City.]

Wednesday, April 18, 1900 - Houston, Texas

Gov. Pitkin was made President of the Congress for two years. Geo. Q. Cannon was made 4th Vice President at large. I was made Vice President for Utah. L. W. Shurtliff and John C. Cutler member of the Executive Committee. Lycurgus Johnson presented a Resolution in favor of the original owners of Gilsonite beds as against the Government and He made a short speech. Several fine papers were read during the day.

Thursday, April 19, 1900 - Houston

Geo. Q. Cannon presented a resolution favoring government aid to the sugar industry and spoke in its favor.

Dr. S. B. Young read a paper on the Resources and future development of Utah. I spoke on the Congress going to Cripple Creek in 1901. The Congress decided so to do. I was in the chair for a brief period of time.

I received a letter from my wife Sarah and wrote to her.

Friday, April 20, 1900 - Houston

I wrote letters to Josephine and my sons, Winslow, Nathaniel and Joseph.

The Congress adjourned at 5 p.m., having adopted 27 Resolutions.

There were 360 Delegates present. Our treatment has been of the best. John R. Murdock and John R. Barnes have had their pockets picked.

Saturday, April 21, 1900 - Galveston and Houston

On the boat [to Galveston] I met a Mr. J. S. Ewell who formerly lived at Carthage, Hancock Co., Ill. He says that Joseph Smith of the Reorganized Church and a Lawyer Edmunds of Carthage and a relative of Senator Geo. F. Edmunds of Vermont drew what was known as the Edmunds law, that he knew this to be true.

George Cannon and wife, George Romney and wife, James R. Miller, John C. Cutler, Myself and daughter Sarah took train at 11:15 p.m. for Mexico on the Pulman Car Ascalon. Our contract was for \$75.00 dollars each for ten days. J. R. Miller paid for me and my daughter [Sarah] \$150.00.

Thursday, April 26, 1900 - Mexico City

We reached here at 6 a.m., a good night ride.

We spent some time listening to the music in the Almeda. We visited Guadalupe Church and the chappel and cemetery and saw the grave of Santa Ana. My daughter was robbed right on the street car in front of the great Cathedral, lost about \$25.00 in U.S. money.

Friday, April 27, 1900 - Mexico City

Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon and I called upon the American Ambassador Powell Clayton. He received us nicely and arranged for us to see President Porfirio Diaz, but owing to a misunderstanding as to time and place it fell through.

Saturday, April 28, 1900 - Mexico City

We crossed the Mountains to Cuernavaca. We paid a visit to the Palace of Cortez. Also the Cathedral built in 1723. The ride over the mountains was very picturesque. We returned in the evening. Prest. G. Q. Cannon had remained hoping to see President P. Diaz but failed.

I have been under the weather with lumbago all day.

Sunday, April 29, 1900 - Mexico City.

We bought a few trinkets. Our visit to the national museum was most pleasing. It contains the Calander stone, the sacrificial stone and Gods and Images in great numbers. The Carriages of State that Maximillian used, also the one Benito Juarez used, and the silver used by Maximillian and a most excelent picture of him. . . . The evidences of the advanced civilizations of the Aztec is manifest in this wonderful collection.

We attended the Bull fight and became fully disgusted with the cruelty of the thing. One animal out of five was killed. This sport should be suppressed by law.

present as I have looked at the various historic spots. At the evidence of great wealth and the extreme poverty. It is a beautiful City. The strong hand of President Porfirio Diaz is manifest everywhere.

Wednesday, May 2, 1900 - San Antonio, Texas

We reached here early this morning. I visit[ed] the Fort Sam Houston, The Alamo and its Park, the Club rooms and theater, The Cathedral, city Hall, County Court house. Looked at several Plazas and drove through the business and residence part of the City. The City is well built. Many residences are superb. It is an old City. It was here much heroic work was done during the struggle for Texan Independence. The rains have made the land most beautiful with its grass and flowers.

Thursday, May 3, 1900 - Galveston, Texas

I spent the day at Galveston in company with George Romney and Wife and John C. Cutler.

There are many fine school house buildings, the white and black children being in separate buildings. . . . Parks, gardens, schools and orphan homes are provided separate for the Colored race.

During the years 67, 75, and 76 this City of Galveston has been flood[ed].

Sunday, May 6, 1900 - Glenwood Springs, Colorado

I spent the day reading. At Colton station Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Reed Smoot, Seymour B. Young came on to the train. They had been attending the funeral of some of the miners that were Killed in the Mines at Winter Quarters. It is believed 202 were killed in that calamity.

Tuesday, May 8, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I bot five dollars worth of Tickets to a Concert to be held in the Tabernacle in the interest of the Scofield sufferers. I spent three hours working in my garden.

Wednesday, May 9, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I had my eye cauterized today by Dr. L. Snow. I worked some in my garden. The Z.C.M.I. board met.

Saturday, May 12, 1900 - Provo

I went by train to Provo. I borrowed the Horse and buggy of my sister Grace L. Cheever and drove over to Spanish Fork and attended to some business and retired to Provo, where I stoped overnight at my mother's.

N. H. Groesbeck rode with me to Spanish Fork and we talked over the Question of Divorce from his wife Katherine Houty.

Monday, May 14, 1900 - Provo

My wife Josephine joined me and we drove to Spanish Fork, where

we traded out part of a dividend of \$298.00 dollars at the Spanish Fork Coop store. I paid \$30.00 in tithing.

We drove over to Springville and spent three hours with our relatives.

I got Nicholas H. Groesbeck and Katherine Houty Groesbeck together and after some conversation they decided to be Divorced. They signed their names and I witnessed their signatures.

Tuesday, May 15, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My wife Josephine and son Glenn and I returned home. I met with the Directors of the Lehi Sugar Co. I bot a load of hay and paid \$9.00 for it, the most I ever paid for Lucerne.

Wednesday, May 16, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I rebaptized and re-confirmed John Henry Evans, he having been guilty of fornication. It was attended to at the Hot spring bath house.

Thursday, May 24, 1900 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Brigham Young, myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Rudger Clawson and Reed Smoot met in council at the Temple. We talked over Tithing matters and concluded we were a unit.

Sunday, May 27, 1900 - Paris, Idaho [stake conference]

At 11 a.m. Conference.

Prest. Wm. Budge spoke on the building of the school building now in progress.

A 2 p.m. Conference convened.

Elder Rudger Clawson gave a most excelent discourse on Tithing and the duty of the bishop in regard to non tithe payers. I followed him on the same subject.

No better spirit has ever prevailed in any Conference.

Tuesday, May 29, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I worked in the garden. I called at the office and met Prest. Lorenzo Snow, Angus M. Cannon, Bp. George Romney, John C. Cutler. The three last named brethren were of a committee to solicit donations for a church school. They wanted the old Whitney corner on which to build it. President Snow said he was in favor of giving it out. I endorsed it.

I drove over to my field and found a bunch of cattle tramping down my lucerne.

Thursday, May 31, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I wrote to my wife Sarah and mailed her an order on the C. & N. W. R. R. for a ticket home. It cost \$21.25.

Friday, June 1, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The people are celebrating the 99 anniversary of the birthday of Brigham Young. Services were held in the Tabernacle and some exercises were had also at Saltair. Brigham Young offered Prayer at the Tabernacle. David McKenzie & Gov. Heber M. Wells also spoke.

At the Lake Joshua Paul and Thomas Fitch spoke in eulogy of the great dead. I closed with Prayer.

I attended during the Morning hour the commencement exercises of the Washington District school. My daughter Nancy Claribel graduated today. I wrote to Prest. E. H. Nye and to my wife Sarah F. at Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Saturday, June 2, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I wrote to Sarah F. Smith and mailed ten dollars in it. I wrote to Heber J. Sears and sent ten dollars to Sarah, he to deliver it to her.

Monday, June 4, 1900 - Ephraim, Utah

We stopped overnight with John Petersen.

We [John Henry and Anthon H. Lund] called upon a number of people, among them Prest. Canute Peterson.

I had a peculiar dream this morning. I dreamed that I was standing in front of some building where some kind of a meeting was being held. A tall dark complexioned man Picked my pocket, taking my watch. I captured him and gave him a very severe choking and recovered what he had taken.

We returned to our home in the city and found all well.

Wednesday, June 6, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Lorenzo Snow is quite sick with Sciatica. I had an interview with Judge G. W. Bartch and G. Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith over the Political situation.

Wm. C. Closse was blest and set apart for a business trip to Germany. I was mouth. I ordained the following named brethren Seventies and set them apart for missions, all but Thomas Bryant Parker who was a High Priest: Parley Pratt Petersen, Orion Anson Follet, Barnard Wm. Liddell, and Robert James Evans. We blest six of our sisters going to various places on visits. I also administered to two sick sisters.

I paid to Heber J. Grant to be paid on interest \$35.00.

Friday, June 8, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I met H. J. Grant, John W. Taylor, William Salmon, and Andrew Smith and We had a talk with Brigham Y. Hampton over his efforts to get some lewd non-Mormons arrested for a check to the prosecutions of our brethren. He said the selectmen of the County hired him as a detective and did not pay him.

I and my sons put up some fence. I had a short visit with President Lorenzo Snow, he in bad health.

Saturday, June 9, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Executive Committee of the Coop. W. & M. Co. and talked over business. I had an Interview with Geo. Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith, H. J. Grant and John W. Taylor over the Hampton matter.

Monday, June 11, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon in working in my garden.

I attended the officers meeting of the Y.M.M.I.A. at 2 p.m. The board of Directors met at 4 p.m. and discussed at some length the price of the Era. It was decided to leave it at 2 dollars a year.

Tuesday, June 12, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Officers [of Y.M.M.I.A.] meeting in the Templeton building at 10 a.m.

Profs. George H. Brimhall and Bryant S. Hinckley on Classwork and how to hold your students. Guy Wilson on grading. Joseph F. Smith and others on the same subject. It was decided to grade. The brethren were advised against joining secret societies.

During the evening a grand reception was held at the McCune Mansion. It was a splendid affair. I took Josephine.

Thursday, June 14, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My son Nicholas G. is going to San Pete Co. to work at a saw mill for Bro. Wm. Cheney. I blest him and ordained him an Elder. He is a good young man.

Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Matthias F. Cowley and Reed Smoot met at the Temple at 10 a.m. We decided to go and meet with the Scandinavians in their jubilee. Fifty years ago today Erastus Snow introduced the gospel into Scandanavia.

At 11:30 a.m. Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Rudger Clawson, and Reed Smoot, with Secretary Geo. Gibbs in Council. The case of Brigham Y. Hampton was talked. I was appointed a committee of one to adjust the matter. He is to have \$3,600.00 in full for all of his demands.

Saturday, June 16, 1900 - Ogden and Salt Lake City

I went to Ogden this morning to see William Glasmann but I failed to find him.

I met my wife, Sarah [returned from Chicago trip] and came home with her. She is looking well.

Monday, June 18, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I was in the Hay field all day with my sons Winslow and Nathaniel. It was very hot. I bot a horse of James Devine and paid \$75.00 for him.

Wednesday, June 20, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My son Nicholas G. is 19 years old today. He is at a saw mill near Fairview. I wrote to him. I drove my new horse some.

[Went to Oregon for conference, returned June 28, and took a train for Colorado on July 4.]

Saturday, July 7, 1900 - Manassa, Colorado

The stock holders of the Mexican C. & A. Co. met and received reports and Elected a board of Directors consisting of Myself, A. W. Ivins, A. R. Smith, A. F. McDonald, R. P. Helm, Thos. Crowther, and L. M. Petersen. I was made President and A. W. Ivins Vice President, S. S. Smith and Henry Eyring secretaries, and L. M. Petersen Treasurer. We paid each Director for services up to date \$3.00 each, also the Treasurer and S. S. Smith five dollars for work as secretary.

Wednesday, July 11, 1900 - Salt Lake City

At 9:30 a.m. all of the apostles but Heber J. Grant and John W. Taylor met in council. On motion of Brigham Young it was agreed to recommend to Prest. Lorenzo Snow to allow J. H. Ward \$50.00 per month to help him on his paper.

2 p.m. Rudger Clawson and Reed Smoot spoke. Marriner W. Merrill related a dream of Bro. Samuel Roskelly about a large Nephite guarding the entrance to the Logan Temple when a body of U.S. Marshalls were talking of entering there during the Crusade.

Abraham O. Woodruff related a story told by his father of the Prophet Joseph Smith taking a flint arrow spike out of the back bone of a large skeleton found by Zion's Camp on their trip.

Thursday, July 12, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I called upon U.S. Senator Geo. L. Shoup at the Knutsford hotel. We had a pleasant visit.

Thursday, July 19, 1900 - Salt Lake City

George Q. Cannon and Jos. F. Smith of the Presidency, Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Rudger Clawson & Reed Smoot of the Apostles met in council in the Temple. H. J. Grant made a report of his trip to the south and also stated that he was fearful for the Cluff expedition to the South Land and recommended

some steps be taken to prevent a disaster. I endorsed doing something at once. It was left to the Presidency to act.¹⁰

Friday, July 20, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I spent three hours working in the garden.

The question of the joint will payment between the B. Y. Trust Co. and the Coop. W. & M. Co. was heard before Judge LeGrand Young at this office this afternoon.

Sunday, July 22, 1900 - Salt Lake City

At 5 p.m. Sarah and I attended the services of laying the corner stone of the Mary Magdalene Cathedral. Arch Bishop Riordan spoke. Bp. Scanlan and other Priests sprinkled the foundations with holy water and chanted in Latin. A large crowd of people had assembled. The costumes of the Priests was quite amusing to me.

Tuesday, July 24, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The Brigham Young or Pioneer Monument was unveiled by a great granddaughter of Brigham Young, Margaret Young, daughter of Major Wilford Young. Geo. Q. Cannon, Jas. T. Hammond and the sculptor C. E. Dallin spoke.

Monday, July 30, 1900 - Salt Lake City

It is very hot. I was at the offices of the Groesbeck Co. I called upon M. C. Smith at the County Jail. He is there for issuing a check when he had no funds in the bank. I watered my garden.

Monday, Aug. 6, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I signed a lot of checks for the Groesbeck Co. I sold 29 Tickets for the Republican day.

Thursday, Aug. 9, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The following named brethren met in the Apostle room in the Temple at 11 a.m.: Prest. Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Apostles Francis M.

¹⁰In April 1900 Benjamin Cluff, Jr., president of Brigham Young Academy (later University) embarked with two faculty members, some fifteen students, and a few volunteers on an overland trek to Colombia, South America, where they hoped to study supposed Book of Mormon sites and artifacts. Cluff's polygamous relationship in Mexico, as well as the improper behavior of some students and one of the faculty members in Arizona, came to the attention of Heber J. Grant while he was in Arizona on church business. His report to the First Presidency and Quorum of the Twelve in July resulted in Joseph F. Smith's being sent to Mexico to inform the group that the trip was not officially organized by the church. Subsequently, only six members of the expedition went on to Colombia, and they only remained about a week before returning home. Cluff was disciplined but remained as president of the academy for one more year. See Gary James Bergera and Ronald Priddis, *Brigham Young University: A House of Faith* (Salt Lake City: Signature Books, 1985), 10-15.

Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Anthon H. Lund, Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson & Reed Smoot & Geo. F. Gibbs, secretary.

A letter from Prest. Jos. F. Smith in Mexico was read. He had [to] disband Cluff expedition.

A. H. Lund and I am to make an effort to adjust a water trouble in Emery Co.

Sunday, Aug. 12, 1900 - Afton, Wyoming

At 11 a.m. the stake conference convened, President George Osmond presiding.

Prest. C. D. Fjeldsted spoke for one hour on the rights of the Priesthood in Politics. Moses the Prophet and Christ took part in those matters, he said.

2 p.m. I spoke for over an hour on the observance of the sabbath day.

Friday, Aug. 17, 1900 - Salt Lake City

A couple of Protestant Ministers called upon President Lorenzo Snow and talked over the situation at Saltair, as to the selling of Liquor and chance games. Presidents Joseph F. Smith and Seymour B. Young having returned from Mexico, made a report as to the Cluff Expedition. Part of them will return home and part will continue the journey.

Sunday, Aug. 19, 1900 - Castle Dale and Orangeville, Emery County

We drove ten miles to Castledale and put up at Bp. John Y. Jensen's. We attended Sunday School and meeting and spoke to the people. We had the brethren together and they selected nine of the brethren to represent them in the water matter.

We drove to Orangeville and put up at the home of Bp. Jasper Robinson. We held meeting. All four of us spoke. The brethren met and selected ten to represent them.

Monday, Aug. 20, 1900 - Castle Dale and Price

We drove to Castledale and held our meeting bearing on the Water troubles. It was agreed to Arbitrate and the parties in issue selected Myself, A. H. Lund, and Ruben G. Miller as arbitrators and to recommend our appointment to the judge. We drove to Price.

Friday, Aug. 24, 1900 - Salt Lake City

It has given us a copious rainfall. All nature seems glad.

Thursday, Aug. 30, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My son George A. and I went up City Creek Canyon to its head, and crossed the mountain into Hardscrable to look at a peace of land to

make a summer home on. We returned in the evening. I attended the Republican primary.

Friday, Aug. 31, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Twenty elders were set apart for Missions today at the Annex of the Temple by myself, Rudger Clawson, Seymour B. Young and J. Golden Kimball.

I ordained as Seventies and set apart for Missions Walter J. Kelley, Wm. F. Fisher Jr., Martin P. Henderson, Martin L. Lee and Ebenezer A. child.

My son Nicholas G. returned from working at a sawmill in San Pete Co. for the past 2 months and a half. Josephine and I drove up to the cave spring in City Creek Canyon.

I was at the office of the Groesbeck Co. for a time during the evening. My brother C. W. Smith had made an arrest of a drunken rowdy and had him fined.

My son Ezra Chase's wife gave birth to a daughter at 2 a.m. today.

Sunday, Sept. 2, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My daughter Lucy has been very sick all night and is very bad this morning. I spent the entire day with her. I paid Dr. Joseph Richards Twenty dollars.

Monday, Sept. 3, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My daughter Lucy is still quite bad. We took her to the Holy Cross Hospital where Dr. J. S. Richards performed an operation for appendicitis. She was in a very bad condition.

Tuesday, Sept. 4, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My daughter had a very bad night. I was busy about the City most of the day.

My daughter Lucy don't seem to be doing well. My son Nicholas G. got his endowments today.

Thursday, Sept. 6, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My daughter Lucy is very bad today. Another operation had to be performed which leaves her in a most critical condition. I spent the day and night in the Hospital.

Friday, Sept. 7, 1900 - Salt Lake City

We had a most trying day. Lucy is very low. At 4 p.m. she called us to her bedside and said she was going to die and asked us all to kiss her. We did so and then she sent her love to all of her brothers and sisters and young friends. At 5:37 p.m. she breathed her last.

Bro. Joseph E. Taylor took her to his undertaking establishment and embalmed her. We had her home at 10 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 8, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Wm. H. Williams and Nicholas G. Smith sat up at our house during the night. I ordered the casket and the grave dug. Our Kindred came in and made her clothes.

Sunday, Sept. 9, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Our friends came in and took a look at our dead child.

At 12 noon we held our funeral at the 17th ward meeting house, Bp. Walton J. Beatty presiding.

Singing. Prayer by Lorin Farr. Singing.

Joseph A. West, Elias S. Woodruff, Matthias F. Cowley, Heber J. Grant, A. H. Lund, Brigham Young, and Joseph F. Smith were the speakers.

Singing by Choir. Benediction by Rudger Clawson. The attendance was large. Bp. W. J. Beatty dedicated the grave. Our friends covered the grave with flowers.

Monday, Sept. 10, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day about home. My wife Josephine is bearing her burden with reasonable fortitude.

Tuesday, Sept. 11, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I was reading and writing at home. I spent a little time at the President's office. I was at the Republican caucus or Precinct meeting tonight. I was made a delegate to the Convention at the Primary last night.

Wednesday, Sept. 12, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Directors of the Home Fire Insurance Co. met at 4 p.m. The Y.M.M.I.A. board met at 5 p.m. I had dinner at my sister Clarissa Williams with Three of my father's wives and both of my [wives].

In the evening I listened to speeches in regard to Republican policy by Mrs. J. Ellen Foster, Mr. Hallowell and U.S. Senator Fairbanks.

Sunday, Sept. 16, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My family are gaining strength in bearing the loss of our daughter.

Monday, Sept. 17, 1900 - Salt Lake City

In company with C. D. Felt, O. J. Salisbury & Robert Harkness, I went through an agreement to let Don Porter have a new lease on the Kenyon Hotel.

It is quite cold. I received a letter from S. S. Smith, Jr. from Ohio condoling with Josephine and me. I received a letter of Invitation to go and meet Gov. Roosevelt at Pocatello, sent by E. H. Callister. I accepted.

Tuesday, Sept. 18, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I am 52 years old today. My health is good and so is that of my family.

Wednesday, Sept. 19, 1900 - Salt Lake City and Pocatello

In company with Gov. Heber M. Wells and a party of 20 Republicans we went by train to Pocatello, Idaho, where we met Gov. Theodore Roosevelt and party. Two Political meetings were held at which the Governor spoke. We went to bed in the sleeper Adina.

Thursday, Sept. 20, 1900 - Logan and Brigham City

We left for Logan, Utah at 6 a.m.

At 12 noon we held a meeting in the Tabernacle. It was well filled. Roosevelt, Guild, and C. E. Allen spoke. We went to Brigham City. I dined with Gov. Roosevelt. Gov. Roosevelt, Mr. Guild and I spoke at Brigham City. I went on home to the city.

Aquila Nebeker has been creating a sensation by his pranks as Acting Governor.

Friday, Sept. 21, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The reception of Gov. Theo. Roosevelt and party was fine. About five hundred men were on horseback. Meetings were held at Saltair and the S. L. Theatre. Calls were made by the visiting party office of president L. Snow and at the Tabernacle.

Saturday, Sept. 22, 1900 - Salt Lake City

President L. Snow and others had a talk with Simon Bamberger over Railway matters.

Rudger Clawson and I left for Rexburg at 10:50 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Groesbeck Co. met at 4 p.m. and agreed upon a new lease to be made to Don H. Porter.

Wednesday, Sept. 26, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. and declared the usual dividend.

I signed the leases with Don H. Porter and wife today to the Kenyon Hotel. I paid L. W. Snow \$10.00 on account.

Thursday, Sept. 27, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed of O. J. Salisbury today \$600.00 and paid it on interest at the Deseret Savings Bank.

Friday, Sept. 28, 1900 - Salt Lake City

On Wednesday the 26th I blest my granddaughter, the daughter of my son Ezra Chase, who was born August 31st. We named her Lucile.

I was about home most of the day. In the evening Sarah and I had a visit at Mrs. Dr. Davis with a nice company of people.

Saturday, Sept. 29, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah is quite poorly today.

I went to the Holy Cross Hospital and Administered to Adelbert Cazair and Miss Ruby Brown. I called at the home of Dr. John R. Park, who I found dying.

Monday, Oct. 1, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in looking after my own affairs. In the evening I was at home. I had a talk over political matters today with Prest. Lorenzo Snow and found him in earnest over the election of the Republican party.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I went to Bountiful, Davis Co. and made a Political speech. U.S. Marshall Glen Miller also spoke. My wife Sarah went with me.

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The funeral of John R. Park, supt. of public schools, was held in the Assembly [Hall] at 11 a.m. All of the 12 but 2 were present. Bp. Orson F. Whitney presided. Prest. Jos. T. Kingsbury, U.S. Senator Joseph L. Rawlins, James Sharp, Gov. Heber M. Wells, Bp. Orson F. Whitney and Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon spoke in glowing terms of the life and labors of the Dead man. The Quartet sang Not dead but sleepeth.

Thursday, Oct. 4, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I paid Joseph E. Taylor on account of Lucy's funeral \$40.00.

The Apostles met at 10 a.m., all being present.

Abraham O. Woodruff reported his Big Horn mission. Rudger Clawson on the lack of systematic work among the ward teachers. Reed Smoot on the Word of Wisdom.

At 11 a.m. Prest. L. Snow came in, shortly after Prest. G. Q. Cannon joined us. We Talked over the question of Round dancing.

We had the sacrament administered, Prest. Brigham Young being mouth in blessing.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow said he felt that some new labor was opening up before the Apostles. He rejoiced in our unity. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon favored our opening new missionary fields and withdrawing some of Elders from the old ones.

Prest. L. Snow spoke on the success that had come to the Church in the matter of tithing. He said when he came into power the Church owed about four million's dollars.

Brigham Young said himself and associates in the Apostleship were willing to go wherever sent by the presidency. John W. Taylor said he was on hand any moment. President L. Snow [said] Bro. Taylor would be sent to open some new field. President Joseph F. Smith joined us.

Missouri and Louisiana were added to the Southwestern States Mission, Nebraska to the Colorado Mission.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow closed with prayer.

All of the Twelve remained. We agreed to meet on January 8th, 1901. Benediction by Rudger Clawson.

Myself and wife Sarah went to the Theatre.

Friday, Oct. 5, 1900 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

At his request, I called upon Trenner Coffin of Carson City, Nevada at the Kenyon Hotel and talked over the political situation in his state.

Sunday, Oct. 7, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Conference at 10 a.m. Prayer by John Nichol森.

Brigham Young upon sinning among the Saints. Joseph F. Smith on Home Industry, Obedience, and the payment of tithing.

2 p.m. Prayer by C. W. Penrose.

Preident Lorenzo Snow on payments of tithing.

Geo. Q. Cannon on the contraction and Expansion of missions.

Monday, Oct. 8, 1900 - Salt Lake City

A Priesthood meeting was held in the Assembly Hall.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow said if we kept the commandments of God we would be gods in eternity. Prest. Geo. Q. Cannon said the Saints must guard against extreme partisanship in politics. Brigham Young said get the Holy spirit and keep it. Heber J. Grant spoke in favor of sustaining the Deseret News. I urged the paying up of the indebtedness on the Brigham Young monument. Ben E. Rich spoke of the condition of the Southern States Mission. Prest. Joseph F. Smith spoke on Secret Societies. Rudger Clawson spoke on keeping records. John W. Taylor on how to deal with non tithe payers. Benediction by A. H. Lund.

[Went to Idaho and Wyoming for meetings in various cities, some political meetings, October 10-25.]

Thursday, Oct. 11, 1900 - St. Charles, Bear Lake County, Idaho

We drove over to Judge J. C. Rich's and had dinner and took abath. We went to Paris. Geo. Osmond and I spoke on Politics. Ben E. Rich went to Liberty and spoke. We met at Montpelier about midnight.

Wednesday, Oct. 17, 1900 - Marysville, Bingham County, Idaho

Ben. E. Rich and I drove to St. Anthony. Went by Rail to Rigby. Rode in a wagon to Lewisville. We held meeting in the evening. We went to Market Lake where I took train for Montpelier and Ben E. Rich went to Idaho Falls.

Friday, Oct. 19, 1900 - Afton, Uinta County, Wyoming

I ordained Geo. Osmond and William W. Burton High Priests and renewed their former blessings upon them and ratified their actions and ordinations up to date.

We drove to Cottonwood and held meeting, Robt. S. Spence and I talking. We returned to Afton.

We drove to Fairview in a snow storm and held meeting, R. S. Spence and I doing the talking.

Monday, Oct. 22, 1900 - traveling in Wyoming

I went to Evanston, Uinta Co. Wyoming. I put up at Chas. Kingston's. Congressman Frank W. Mondell, James B. Campbell and I spoke in the Opera house in the evening to a large crowd of people.

Wednesday, Oct. 24, 1900 - Rock Springs, Wyoming

We paid a visit to the Coal Mines. It snowed today.

F. W. Mondell and I spoke to a large audience in the evening. A glee club sang for us.

[Went on a trip to central Utah for political talks, October 16-November 6.]

Monday, Oct. 29, 1900 - Spanish Fork and Salem

I went to Spanish Fork. Lars O. Lawrence and Bp. Henry Gardner met me and took me to Salem, where I spoke for two hours on the political situation.

In the evening I spoke at Spanish Fork to a fair audience.

Tuesday, Oct. 30, 1900 - Spanish Fork

I spent the night at Bp. H. Gardner's. I restored Lars Oscar Lawrence his rights in the Priesthood, with the consent of the High Council.

I left and went to Mount Pleasant in Sanpete Co. I spoke in the evening to a large audience.

Tuesday, Nov. 6, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I returned to Salt Lake City and voted for William M. McKinley and the whole Republican Ticket. I voted against all of the proposed Constitutional amendments.

Wednesday, Nov. 7, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The Republican Ticket was elected almost in its entirety in state and nation.

The following telegram was sent:

President William McKinley
Washington, D. C.

With heartfelt gratitude to God, We congratulate you and our Country on your reelection. We rejoice to say that Utah is again in the Republican column.

Joseph F. Smith
John Henry Smith

Tuesday, Nov. 13, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed \$1,000.00 today of the Deseret Savings Bank.

I went with Josephine to the Theatre.

Wednesday, Nov. 14, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I paid \$71.00 taxes today.

Thursday, Nov. 15, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I paid into the hands of Heber J. Grant \$1,040.50 to be paid on a joint note of Joseph F. Smith, Heber M. Wells, Rulon S. Wells, Geo. T. Odell, and Heber J. Grant and Myself. I was busy about the City. I met with the presidency and apostles.

Saturday, Nov. 17, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I sat two hours today for Painter Taggart to make a painting of me.

Presidents Lorenzo Snow and Geo. Q. Cannon decided today that I was to attend the Irrigation Congress. Gov. Heber M. Wells sent me an appointment as a Delegate to the Irrigation Congress.

Thursday, Nov. 22, 1900 - Chicago

Three sessions of the Congress was held today, two in the Central Music Hall and one in the Auditorium. Many Papers and speeches were read and made, and the attendance was fair.

Friday, Nov. 23, 1900 - Chicago

The speeches were made today. I spoke 30 minutes on the subjugation

tion of the Desert. Several of the Papers presented were Illustrated by fine stereoptican views.

I took supper at my brother-in-law Heber J. Sears, 3749 Indiana Avenue.

Saturday, Nov. 24, 1900 - Chicago

Upon the Invitation of Prest. Elwood Mead, I presided over the morning meeting in the Central Music Hall.

At the afternoon and evening meetings several speeches were made.

The Congress passed a Resolution to U.S. Congress, recommending them to build Reservoirs in the Arid Regions.

The Congress adjourned about 11 p.m. I believe this will prove a fruitfull gathering for the West.

Friday, Nov. 30, 1900 - Omaha, Nebraska

I reached here at 8:05 a.m. I went by street Car to Council Bluffs, Iowa. I called upon an old gentleman 95 years of age by the name of David DeVol. He gave me some information about my birthplace. Mr. P. Coleman DeVol went with me to Carbunga, now known as George A. hollow. Into it runs Graham Avenue and to Fairmount Park. I also visited Fairview Cemetery. I hired a buggy & horse to take me about.

I returned to Omaha and rode about the City until 4:25 p.m., when I left for home. I have enjoyed this day very much in looking over the country where my people got ready for the West.

Thursday, Dec. 6, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Josephine sold today in Block 68 a piece of Realty for \$2,000.00. She paid her Tithing. I paid our Taxes to the amount of \$606.95.

President Lorenzo Snow, Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Rudger Clawson, and Reed Smoot met at the Temple. We had prayers. We talked over the political situation.

Wednesday, Dec. 12, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The Board of the Y.M.M.I.A. held a long session tonight in which the question of the reduction of the price of the Improvement Era [magazine] was discussed.

Monday, Dec. 17, 1900 - Richville, Morgan County

In company with President Geo. Heiner, Wm. Rich, W. W. Francis and young Bro. Taggart we drove to Croydon Ward and the entire day was spent in trying to adjust troubles between the Bishopric and W. H. Toone. They finally agreed to forgive each other and try to work together.

We held meeting with the Saints in the evening and I spoke to them.

Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I paid \$167.70 to the Deseret Savings bank in Interest. I wrote several letters. In the evening I went to hear Nat Brigham lecture on the grand Canyon of the Colorado.

Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1900 - Salt Lake City

I went to the Zions Savings bank and renewed my notes for over \$18,335.00 and gave securities.

Monday, Dec. 24, 1900 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah is quite sick. I spent most of the day about home.

Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Samuel M. Barrett died this morning at 8:15. Our Children are having a nice Christmas. Bro. Barrett's death has cast a gloom over the 17th ward.

Thursday, Dec. 27, 1900 - Salt Lake City

At 11 a.m. Presidents Lorenzo Snow, Joseph F. Smith, Elders Brigham Young, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, A. H. Lund, Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot and myself met at the President's office. We talked the political situation. Bro. Reed Smoot made a report of his trip to Washington. We came to no understanding as to what we had better do.

Saturday, Dec. 29, 1900 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent at the Prest. L. Snow's office. We talked over the question of Reed Smoot being a candidate for the U.S. Senate. He determined not to run.

Prest. Lorenzo Snow, Joseph F. Smith, W. P. Preston, myself, and others agreed to have the great organ repaired at the possible cost of \$12,000.00. The Groesbeck Co. declared a 3 per cent dividend.

Monday, Dec. 31, 1900 - Salt Lake City

Josephine bot a Carpet and Mantle piece. I bot two fur collars. I was at Josephine's until the old year went out and the new came in. My family are all well, the Lord be praised. The day is a very cold one.

Tuesday, Jan. 1, 1901 - Salt Lake City

A meeting for the opening of the Century was held in the Tabernacle at 11 a.m.

Singing, let us anew, choir and congregation.

Prayer by David McKenzie.

Greeting to the World by Lorenzo Snow, read by LeRoy C. Snow.

Organ Solo, Pilgrim Chorus from Tannhauser, Wagner.

Song of Thanksgiving by H. S. Goddard.

Ode to the New Year, Tennyson, read by Bp. O. F. Whitney.

Quartet, The Flag Without a Stain, Messrs. Pyper, Whitney, Patrick and Spencer.

Hallelujah Chorus, Handel, Tabernacle Choir.

Organ Solo, Andantino, Mr. J. J. McClellan.

Prest. Angus M. Cannon Introduced to the Audience Joseph Ridges, the builder of the great organ.

America, by Choir and Congregation.

Benediction by Brigham Young.

Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I had sealed to me today in the Salt Lake Temple by Adolph P. Madsen Emma Louise Robbins, born May 27th, 1850 at San Francisco California. Ellen Louise Barrett Summerhays was proxy.

I sealed Emma Ray Riggs to David Oman McKay. In the evening a reception was held and all had an enjoyable time.

Emma L. Robbins was the wife of O. H. Riggs, who himself secured a divorce from her in the East. He has gone out of the church. She on her dying had requested to be sealed to me.

Saturday, Jan. 5, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I sold Josephine's interest in the Groesbeck Co. today for \$45,000.00 to W. S. McCornick.

Sunday, Jan. 6, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Funeral of Sister Evans, wife of Joseph Evans of the 16 Ward, also Charles Napper of the 3rd Ward. I spoke at both places.

Monday, Jan. 7, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I paid the following notes during the day:

The Deseret Savings Bank and Trust Company	\$18,212.50
Zions Savings B. & T. Co.	14,331.00
The State Bank	730.00
Lorenzo Snow, T[rustee]. in T[rust]. took from me for a note of \$3,692.15 and in interest about \$600.00	
This was on the old Cannon	
Grant business and which ought no to pay	2,000.00
Lorenzo Snow, T. in T. tithing	1,000.00
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	\$ 36,273.50

I turned over to my wife Josephine 420 shares of sugar stock, 50 shares of Home Fire Insurance Co. stock.

My daughter Sarah and I attended the grand inaugural ball in the Theatre.

Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1901 - Salt Lake City

All of the Twelve Apostles met at their room in the Temple except Marriner W. Merrill at 10 a.m. Prayer by George Teasdale. He also spoke on the Words of Wisdom and the payment of Tithing.

Brigham Young said that the Word of Wisdom was a commandment.

Francis M. Lyman spoke upon the rights of the Priesthood. Heber J. Grant spoke in favor of organizing a life Insurance Company and extending the usefulness of the Deseret News.

I made a motion that we suggest to the Trustee in Trust that we don't sell any Liquor at Saltair for one year. We talked of making changes in several of the stakes.

Thursday, Jan. 10, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Apostles met in their room in the Temple at 10 a.m. Prayer by Heber J. Grant.

Marriner W. Merrill spoke, said he had 21 sons living and 17 of them were married and they were all Tithe payers. Anthon H. Lund read a letter from Prest. Peterson of the Scandinavian Mission which said that some Elders had arrived in that field having the small pox, which they had scattered some.

President Lorenzo Snow and Joseph F. Smith joined us.

After some discussion we decided to devide the Cache stake.

The brethren discussed quite freely the question of making some changes in the method of our mission work.

We partook of the sacrament together, President Lorenzo Snow blessing the bread and Wine.

Friday, Jan. 11, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I loaned seven thousand dollars of Josephine's Money to the Coop. W. & M. Co. Four thousand at 7 per cent, Three thousand at 6 per cent.

I bot two sets of books, one on birds and other Animal life. Also a universal history of the World.

Monday, Jan. 14, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I returned home this morning and found all well. I lent to the Coop. W. & M. Co. one Thousand dollars today at 6 per cent per annum 10 days demand.

Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I promised a book agent that I would take 10 vol. of Great Orators

and pay 5 dollars per quarter on them. The Stockmen's Convention met today in the assembly Hall. I am a delegate.

I bot two shares of H. J. Grant & Co. stock and paid 120 each for them and five more shares was issued to me as a stock dividend.

Thursday, Jan. 17, 1901 - Salt Lake City

All of the first Presidency and all of the Apostles but Brigham Young, John W. Taylor and Marriner W. Merrill were present at our council in the Temple. Many matters were talked over. President Lorenzo Snow favored Thomas Kearns for U.S. Senator but laid no obligation on anyone to work for him.

Joseph F. Smith & Wife Sarah and me and Josephine left for Colorado [for conferences].

Wednesday, Jan. 23, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Word was received in the Morning Papers that Thomas Kearns had received the nomination of the caucus for U.S. Senator by 19 votes. He was elected U.S. Senator at noon today.

My wife Sarah and I went to the Theatre in the evening.

Thursday, Jan. 24, 1901 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah started East to Chattanooga to visit her sister Diana Rich.

Friday, Jan. 25, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I bargained for a home for Helen M. Morgan today on York St. in the Waterloo devision of this City to cost \$1,700.00.

Myself and wife Josephine and I went to Provo and attended the ball and banquet given by the Manager of Z.C.M.I. Our treatment was of the best.

Saturday, Jan. 26, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I went to York St. and took a look at the property I am going to buy. I left with the State bank the Coop. W. & M. Co. note for \$1,000.00 to day.

Monday, Jan. 28, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I bot and paid for 37 1/2 feet by 110 feet with right of way over ten feet on York St. I paid \$1,700.00 for it. It is to be inhabited by Melvina Morgan.

Tuesday, Jan. 29, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I posed for two hours today for Mr. Taggart to paint my picture. I attended a meeting to talk over the question of libel by the Tribune of Prest. L. Snow. Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Jos. F. Smith, Wm. B. Preston, John R. Winder, Abraham O. Woodruff, Reed Smoot, Rudger Clawson,

Angus M. Cannon, Charles W. Penrose, LeGrand Young and Frank S. Richards and myself met and talked over this question.

Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Mr. Taggart worked an hour on my picture.

My daughter Elizabeth is 11 years old today.

Thursday, Jan. 31, 1901 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. a large company met at the Residence of Hon. Franklin S. Richards to the 80th birthday of Zina D. H. Smith and the 78th birthday of Jane S. Richards.

We had a nice Lunch. Speeches were made by Prests. Lorenzo Snow, Geo. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, Myself, John R. Winder, Zina D. H. Y. Smith, Jane S. Richards, Bathsheba W. Smith, Nathan Tanner, Sr. & Samuel W. Richards. Papers were read by Susie Y. Gates, Lula G. Richards and Mrs. L. F. Moench.

The Doxology was sung and Benediction was offered by Patriarch John Smith. It was a happy day and long to be remembered.

Friday, Feb. 1, 1901 - Salt Lake City

My day was spent in working at my desk. Josephine and I went down to York St. to see the house we had purchased for Melvina Morgan to occupy.

Antho H. Lund and I read over all of the Legislative bills presented up to the present time.

Monday, Feb. 4, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I had a long talk with Prest. L. Snow, George Q. Cannon, and Franklin S. Richards on passing a law that in the future Wives must be the complainants in cases of adultery. Bro. Richards was instructed to draw up such a law. I received a letter from my wife Sarah.

Tuesday, Feb. 5, 1901 - Salt Lake City

My son Glenn fell and bit his tongue part off. Dr. Wilcox took three stitches in it.

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Bro. A. H. Lund and I spent the evening read[ing] some of the bills that have been introduced into the Legislature to become laws.

Thursday, Feb. 7, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Antho H. Lund and I spent part of the morning hour reading bills.

At 10:30 a.m. Brigham, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, George Teasdale, John W. Taylor, A. H. Lund, Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger

Clawson, M. F. Cowley and Reed Smoot met in the Temple and talked over matters. All of the first Presidency joined us at 11:30 a.m. Prayer by A. H. Lund. At the Altar George Q. Cannon. Some talk was made upon the publication or printing of the Book of Mormon in a cheap edition.

On motion of George Q. Cannon, Platt D. Lyman is to be made President of the San Juan stake. On Motion of Joseph F. Smith, Francis M. Lyman is to preside over the European Mission. On Motion of John W. Taylor, Horace S. Ensign is to go and preside over the Colorado Mission.

The Dedicatory services of the Latter Day Saints College was held at 2 p.m.

With Franklin S. Richards, Rulon S. Wells, Nephi Morris and Abel John Evans, I talked over an amendment to our laws favoring the Wife making complaints in cases of unlawfull Cohabitation & Adultry.

Saturday, Feb. 9, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I paid Dr. Joseph S. Richards to day \$50.00 on account of services. The stitches were taken out of my son Glen's tongue today.

In the evening Josephine and I went to the theatre.

Monday, Feb. 11, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I had a talk with Presidents L. Snow, G. Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith in regard to the Collectorship of our district. George C. Parkinson wants it and Shoup, U.S. Senator from Idaho don't think he can get.

Tuesday, Feb. 12, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I wrote a letter to my wife Sarah and sent a New York draft for fifty dollars. The weather is very fine today.

I am suffering from a sore throat and cold. I spent part of the day reading in the World's Orators.

Wednesday, Feb. 13, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I was about home most of the day under the weather with cold. The Directors of the Home fire met at 4 p.m. The General board of the Y.M.M.I.A. met at 5 p.m. I went to the Sanatarium and took a Turkish bath.

Thursday, Feb. 14, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I stoped all night at the bath.

Francis M. Lyman, J. H. Smith, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, A. H. Lund, Abraham O. Woodruff and Rudger Clawson met and sung. Bro. H. J. Grant talked against vaccination.

All of the first Presidency came in at 11 a.m. Rudger Clawson prayed. Heber J. Grant was Mouth at the Altar.

Several items of business was gone over. Heber J. Grant was selected to go to Japan on a Mission.

Saturday, Feb. 16, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day going with Heber J. Grant and soliciting for the Ridges Concert on Tuesday next. The ballance of the day I spent about home reading and nursing my throat.

Sunday, Feb. 17, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I was about home all day. My throat is bothering me quite badly. It stormed most of the day.

Monday, Feb. 18, 1901 - Salt Lake City

My Throat is some better to day. I was at President L. Snow's office part of the day. The day was spent in part by me reading some speeches from the World's Orators. Francis M. Lyman, Jr. seems to be some what disturbed in his mind.

Tuesday, Feb. 19, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I attended the funeral of Karl G. Maeser at the Tabernacle.

Karl G. Maeser was one of the Lord's Noblest men.

Thursday, Feb. 21, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met at 2 p.m. A. H. Lund and I were appointed a committee to Audit the accounts of Z.C.M.I.

In the evening Josephine and [I] went to the Theatre.

Friday, Feb. 22, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Josephine and I spent the afternoon at the 15 ward meeting house. We had a grand Banquet and a flow of wit and humor. I haven't seen a spread that surpassed it in many a day.

Old and young, Rich and poor were present.

Saturday, Feb. 23, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Bro. A. H. Lund and [I] spent part of the day examining bills for laws. Some of the brethren are fearfull of trouble if we pass a measure in the Legislature modifying the law against adultry and unlawful cohabitation and laying the Responsibility on the injured party.¹¹

Monday, Feb. 25, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Bro. A. H. Lund and I were reading Legislative bills part of the day. Josephine and I went to the Theatre.

¹¹ Bill No. 49 provided that only the legal wife or husband of anyone accused of adultery could initiate a criminal complaint for adultery. This obviously made it harder for complaints for cohabitation to be filed, and the bill became a matter of controversy dividing Mormons and non-Mormons.

Tuesday, Feb. 26, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Part of the Bishopric and A. H. Lund, M. F. Cowley, Bp. W. B. Preston and myself had a talk with President L. Snow about building a meeting house in the 17 ward and for him to give 10 thousand dollars to it. We got no satisfaction out of the matter.

All of the first Presidency and Apostles but Brigham Young talked over the question of securing an amendment to the law in filling complaints for adultery and Unlawful Cohabitation. All favored doing it but President G. Q. Cannon. Some warmth was shown in discussing it.

Wednesday, Feb. 27, 1901 - Huntington, Utah

Prst. Ruben G. Miller, A. H. Lund, and I left for Castledale, Emery Co. We had dinner with Bp. Robert Johnson at Huntington. We put up at the Anderson Hotel. We were sworn to try the water case.

Thursday, Feb. 28, 1901 - Castle Dale, Emery County

The day was spent in making examinations of Canals up and down on the Cottonwood Creek. Attorney Thurman and Redd and other person went with us. The evening was spent in looking up the law.

Friday, March 1, 1901 - Castle Dale

We opened court in the Court house at 10 a.m.

The Cottonwood Water Case was taken up by us. S. R. Thurman made a statement. The Pleadings were read. Witnesses were sworn. The entire day was spent in taking Testimony. In the evening I wrote some letters.

Sunday, March 3, 1901 - Huntington, Emery County

I wrote to Sarah and Josephine and several of the children. Bros. A. H. Lund, Ruben G. Miller and myself visited the Sunday School and meeting and spoke at both places.

Monday, March 4, 1901 - Castle Dale

Windy. Held court all day. Many witnesses were examined.

Tuesday, March 5, 1901 - Castle Dale

The day was spent in examining Witnesses.

We adjourned at 4 p.m. to meet at Salt Lake City at 3 p.m. Thursday, March 7th.

Wednesday, March 6, 1901 - Salt Lake City

We returned home. I learned that my wife Sarah had gone to Washington to the Inauguration of Prest. Wm. McKinley.

Thursday, March 7, 1901 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and all of the Apostles but H. J. Grant

and M. W. Merrill met in the Temple. Wm. C. Parkinson was selected for the Cache Valley South Stake president.

Some talk was had in regard to the Priesthood and the offices growing out of them.

A. H. Lund, Ruben G. Miller and I held Court at the Historian office at 3 p.m. Mr. Demoisy was Sworn and examined in regard to the water case.

S. R. Thurman and W. K. Reed made their pleas and we took the Water Matter under advisement.

I spent the evening at Josephine's. The D. News contains the announcement this evening that Lorin Farr, 80 years old, has taken out a marriage license.

Friday, March 8, 1901 - Salt Lake City

It has been storming today. I had a nice visit with Prest. Lorenzo Snow today talking over the condition of some of the brethren.

Saturday, March 9, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I paid Mr. Taggart \$70.00 for the painting he had made of me.

My son Joseph H. having broken out with a rash, I sent for Dr. Jos. S. Richards. He said it was small pox. He vaccinated Josephine, Sarah A., Arzella and the baby.

Sunday, March 10, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I spent the greater part of the day at home reading. Joseph seems to be getting along all right.

Tuesday, March 12, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Quarentine Physician put out a small pox Flag at Josephine today. He says says Joseph has the small pox but is getting over it nicely.

I was home most of the day. I took a Turkish bath. I was reading of Tyndall, Faraday, Darwin and Huxley today.

Wednesday, March 13, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I sent a Telegram to Senator Geo. L. Shoup that Smith, Cowley and self favored E. H. Callister for Collector of this District. I also wrote President Wm. McKinley and Senator Kearns. I also wrote to my wife Sarah.

Thursday, March 14, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day largely at home. I did not meet with my Quorum in the Temple. I called upon Gov. Heber M. Wells and asked him to fulfill the promise he had made me to sign the Evans law. He declined to fill his engagement.

My son Joseph is getting along nicely. None of the rest have come down.

Friday, March 15, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Gov. Heber M. Wells has vetoed the Evans Bill. I feel he has done a great wrong to his co-religionists. The stockholders of Saltair Beach Co. re-elected the old board of Directors, leaving out Nephi Clayton and putting in L. John Nuttall. We paid President L. Snow for Services, five hundred dollars and are to pay the Directors thirty dollars each. I had a talk over the auditing of the Accounts of Z.C.M.I. I spent the evening at home reading.

Saturday, March 16, 1901 - Salt Lake City

It is a beautifull day. I spent it reading. My sister Priscilla and I went to the Theatre to see Modjeska play Lady Macbeth.

Monday, March 18, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I visited the wife murderer, John D. Douglas at the Penetentiary.

Wednesday, March 20, 1901 - Salt Lake City

In the afternoon A. H. Lund and I went out to Murray. We had an elegant supper with James Miller of the Granite Stake, Prest. Frank G. Taylor having joined us. We drove to the Tanner school house and held meeting talking over the Water question. John M. Cannon joined. The people appointed a committee of four to act with another Committee from the Canals taken from Big Cottonwood creek.

Thursday, March 21, 1901 - Salt Lake City

It was a beautifull spring day. Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, A. H. Lund, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot met at 10:30 a.m. and talked over several matters. At 11 a.m. Lorenzo Snow and Joseph F. Smith joined us. After singing Bro. A. H. Lund offered prayer. Brigham Young was Mouth at the Altar. We had some talk over the case of Ruben A. McBride who killed a man by the name of Stead some years ago.

I spent the evening at home reading. The children attended some kind of a gathering at the ward house. My son Joseph was turned loose today by the Quarantine Physician, having fully recovered from the small pox.

Wednesday, March 27, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I received from John Wanamaker, New York City the ten Vols. of the Century Dictionary Cyclopedia and Atlas, also a Cabinet to stand the books on, freight \$4.70 paid by me.

The Directors of Heber J. Grant & Co. met at 3 p.m. They declaired a 2 per cent dividend.

Thursday, March 28, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I went to the Temple. At 10:30 a.m. Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Rudger Clawson and Reid Smoot met in council. At 11 a.m. Presidents Lorenzo Snow and Joseph F. Smith came in.

Rudger Clawson offered prayer. Prest. Joseph F. Smith was Mouth at the Altar.

M. F. Cowley reported his trip to Oregon and moved that a stake of Zion be organized to be called Union Stake and that Franklin S. Bramwell be made the President. It was carried.

Reed Smoot is to adjust some troubles in Morgan City.

Friday, March 29, 1901 - Salt Lake City

It is quite cold. A. H. Lund, Ruben G. Miller and I spent the morning hours in preparing our decision in the Cottonwood Water case. President Geo. Q. Cannon and some of his family are at Monterey, California. He is reported to be dangerously sick.

Presidents Lorenzo Snow, Jos. F. Smith, Francis M. Lyman, A. H. Lund and myself had a talk with James E. Talmage in regard to his copy right to the Articles of Faith he had written. It was the opinion that we had ought hold the Copyright for the Church.

Monday, April 1, 1901 - Salt Lake City

My family have been released from quarentine today. All are well. Bro. A. H. Lund and I spent the afternoon examining the books of Z.C.M.I. Bro. A. W. Carlson was with us.

Tuesday, April 2, 1901 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. the following named brethren met in the Temple: Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson and Reed Smoot.

Prest. B. Young spoke on Mission Work. F. M. Lyman on the same and the sad condition of his son. I expressed my good fellings to all. Geo. Teasdale gave his experience.

2:30 p.m. Heber J. Grant gave us some ideas as to his mission. John W. Taylor give the results of the effort made to preach the Gospel among the outsiders in Farmington. M. W. Merrill told of his diffidence in regard to speaking in public. A. H. Lund gave us a brief outline of the work that could be opened up in Europe not yet touched.

President Geo. Q. Cannon is said to be a little better.

Wednesday, April 3, 1901 - Salt Lake City

At 1 a.m. all of the members of the Council of Apostles met in the Temple.

Matthias F. Cowley urged the publication of a cheap addition of the Book of Mormon. Brigham Young spoke Priesthood. Abraham O. Woodruff reported the condition of affairs in the Big Horn country. John W. Taylor spoke in favor of securing a home for Sister Karl G. Maeser. Rudger Clawson

give us some experience. Reed Smoot presented a paper on the question of prayer meeting being held in connection with administering to the sick. John W. Taylor spoke on Gifts.

President Lorenzo Snow is 87 years old today. The Temple Workers gave him a reception, speeches and singing were indulged in and a nice lunch was partaken of.

President Geo. Q. Cannon is said to be Worse.

Thursday, April 4, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I had my wife Josephine sealed to me 24 years ago today.

My son George A. was born 31 years ago today.

At 10:30 all of the Apostles met at their room in the Temple and at 11 a.m. Presidents Lorenzo Snow and Joseph F. Smith came in. It was agreed to Reorganize the Summit Stake of Zion with Moses W. Taylor as President. It was also decided to organize a stake of Zion in the Big Horn Country in Wyoming with Byron Sessions, Jesse W. Crosby and Chas. Welch as the presidency. Many other matters were talked over.

I went to the Theatre in the evening with my wife Josephine.

Friday, April 5, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The general conference convened at 10 a.m.

Present on the stand presidents Lorenzo Snow and Joseph F. Smith, all of the Apostles, six of the 7 Presidents of the Seventies, the Presiding Bishopric and the Patriarch over the Church.

President Lorenzo Snow [spoke] in a general way. Reed Smoot Spoke on church disaplin, Rudger Clawson On Tithes, Prayer, & Repentance.

2 p.m. in Conference.

Abraham O. Woodruff on Fasting and Tithes. Matthias F. Cowley on honesty and virtuousness. Anthon H. Lund on humility.

Saturday, April 6, 1901 - Salt Lake City

2 p.m. Conference. Prayer by Prest. Angus M. Cannon.

Geo. Teasdale spoke on the scandles perpetrated on the Saints by Non-Mormons.

I spoke on the payment of tithing, Charles W. Penrose on obedience to the Law.

Priesthood meeting was held in the Tabernacle at 7:30 p.m.

President Joseph F. Smith spoke to the brethren on the necessity of clensing the Platter. Francis M. Lyman on Fidelity. Abraham O. Woodruff on selling our property to strangers.

At five p.m. today it began snowing like wrath.

Sunday, April 7, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Conference convened 10 a.m. Francis M. Lyman spoke on the necessity of the people being united. Edward H. Snow from the Eastern States Mission reported his field.

I attended the funeral of the Mother of Edwin F. Parry. Joseph Parry, Myself, Joseph F. Smith and Bp. G. A. Amery spoke.

2 p.m. conference. Prayer by Joseph W. McMurrin.

Brigham said our enemies will never be satisfied until we put a hundred tons of Nitro Glycerene under our God and blow him to shreds. President Joseph F. Smith spoke on the law of Tithing.

Monday, April 8, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Cold. I attended a Priesthood Meeting in the Assembly Hall at 10 a.m.

President Lorenzo Snow spoke on the character of the people who should receive their Second Endowments and on Tithing.

Heber J. Grant sang Jerusalem. Joseph F. Smith on the Holy anointing. Heber J. Grant on singing.

Abraham O. Woodruff said don't betray your brethren.

Reed Smoot on tithing. Rudger Clawson on Record Keeping.

John W. Taylor on putting the brethren who visited them in clean beds free from bed bugs.

A large party spent the evening At the Residence of Sister Cloe Eldredge as the guests of Reed Smoot. We had an elegant dinner. With singing and reciting and conversation the time was Well spent.

Tuesday, April 9, 1901 - Salt Lake City

President George Q. Cannon is said to be dying at Monterey, California. Heber J. Grant, George Romney, Chas. S. Burton, Geo. T. Odell and myself went to Ogden to adjust some troubles among the Employees of the Coop. W. & M. Co.

Thursday, April 11, 1901 - Salt Lake City

All of the Apostles but M. W. Merrill met in their room in the Temple. At Eleven a.m. Presidents Lorenzo Snow and Joseph F. Smith joined us. We agreed to a Rule that we would rise and address the Presiding officer. Some talk was had about a change in the Salt Lake Stake Presidency.

Friday, April 12, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Anthon H. Lund and I in company with Thos. G. Webber visited several of the departments of Z.C.M.I. A. W. Ivins and I had a talk with Presidents Lorenzo Snow and Jos. F. Smith on Mexican affairs. Bro. Snow was quite critical but agreed to aid us in getting our interest on Nine thousand dollars lowered at the Bank.

Monday, April 15, 1901 - Salt Lake City

President George Q. Cannon's remains arrived at home today.

Tuesday, April 16, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Lehi Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. Heber J. Grant, Barlow Ferguson, Supt. T. F. Cutler were appointed a committee to look into the matter of buying the Bear River Canal property. The board adjourned out of respect to the Memory of President George Q. Cannon, who was President of the Sugar Co.

Wednesday, April 17, 1901 - Salt Lake City

President Lorenzo Snow is quite poorly. President Joseph F. Smith and all of the Apostles but John W. Taylor went in a body to the residence of George Q. Cannon. His remains were escorted to the Tabernacle, the Apostles acting as pall bearers.

At 12 noon the funeral services commenced. Prest. Lorenzo Snow presiding. The Choir and Congregation Sang God Moves in a Mysterious Way. Prayer by Francis M. Lyman.

Quartet sang Not Dead but Sleepeth. George Teasdale spoke for the Sunday School Union. Heber J. Grant for the young peoples organizations.

Robert C. Easton sang Oh my Father. George H. Brimhall represented the Church Schools. Brigham Young said his friendship has been lifelong for Bro. G. Q. Cannon. Singing by Geo. D. Pyper, H. S. Ensign, J. D. Spencer and H. G. Whitney.

President Joseph F. Smith spoke of his long experience with Bro. G. Q. Cannon. I spoke for ten minutes. John W. Taylor spoke for five minutes. LeRoy C. Snow read his father's good words.

We went direct to the cemetery. There was singing and Prayer at the Grave, A. H. Lund being Mouth in Prayer.

Thursday, April 18, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Thomas R. Cutler, Heber J. Grant and I met at Ferguson & Commons office. Cutler had received an option for 20 days on the Bear River Canal. We go to look at it tomorrow. President Joseph F. Smith and all of the Apostles but John W. Taylor met at the Temple. After Prayer by George Teasdale, and prayer at the Altar by Bro. F. M. Lyman we talked over the marriage question. Benediction by M. W. Merrill. Francis M. Lyman was set apart for his mission to England by Joseph F. Smith.

President Lorenzo Snow is quite poorly.

Tuesday, April 23, 1901 - Salt Lake City

This Morning Francis M. Lyman and wife left for their Mission to England.

I was busy looking into the plans for Josephine's house.

Monday, April 29, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I found to day that Elias Morris Sons Co. had placed grave stones at the heads of Nicholas and Elizabeth Groesbeck, cost \$60.00 dollars, and one at the head of my daughter Lucy Smith, cost \$18.00. Josephine and I drove up there and are satisfied with the work done.

Tuesday, April 30, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Lehi Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. and appointed Lorenzo Snow a Director and President of the Company to fill the Vacancy made by the death of Geo. Q. Cannon. His salary is to be \$600.00, the Manager \$10,000.00[?], the Secretary and Treasurer \$1,800 a year, the attorney \$1,200.00, The Directors ten dollars a meeting. It was decided to continue. The Committee appointed to examine the Bear River Canal reported in favor of its purchase and the report was received and adopted. The committee were instructed to continue their labors.

Wednesday, May 1, 1901 - Salt Lake City

A. W. Ivins has returned from Cleveland. He has an agreement by which he can sell the Dublan lands in Mexico. The funeral of Allice Smith to day. She was the daughter of Joseph F. and Sarah Ellen Richards Smith. Prest. Lorenzo Snow, Myself, George Brimhall, Heber J. Grant, M. F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff and Brigham Young spoke. The attendance was large and many carriages followed the remains to the grave.

Friday, May 3, 1901 - Salt Lake City

A. W. Ivins and I obtained an understanding in regard to money for Mexican Mission.

My Father's wife Bathsheba W. Smith is 79 years old today. She with about 75 persons were entertained at the Residence of Philo T. Farnsworth. It was a splendid time.

Wednesday, May 8, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Lehi Sugar Factory met and decided to buy the land of the Bear River Investment Co.

Thursday, May 9, 1901 - Salt Lake City

At 10:30 p.m. some of the apostles met. At 11 a.m. Presidents Lorenzo Snow and Joseph F. Smith met with Brigham Young, Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor and Anthon H. Lund. Prayer by Joseph F. Smith. Heber J. Grant was Mouth at the Altar. Joseph F. Smith and Brigham Young's allowance was fixed at five thousand per annum. H. J. Grant's was raised some. I was blest and set apart for my mission under the hands of all present. President Lorenzo Snow being Mouth, he gave me a good blessing. He gave me a good many promises.

Friday, May 10, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Theatre met. Heber M. Wells resigned and Lorenzo Snow was elected a Director and President. H. J. Grant having resigned as President, was made Vice President. I drew from Jas. Jack five hundred dollars for expense money. I paid Noal Asper & Co. Cash \$300.00 for work on building house.

Saturday, May 11, 1901 - Salt Lake City

We opened some bids made on Josephine's house. I got transportation to Texas for Josephine and myself.

Monday, May 13, 1901 - Salt Lake City

My wife Josephine and I left for Mexico at 8:30 a.m. The day was spent in reading in Abbot's life of Cortez.

Friday, May 17, 1901 - Juarez to Diaz, Chihuahua, Mexico

We drove over to Juarez and took train for the Colonies. [Helaman Pratt] met us and we made a drive of about 25 miles and camped about 12 midnight.

Saturday, May 18, 1901 - Diaz, Chihuahua, Mexico

We slept well on the ground. We drove into Diaz and I put up at Bp. W. D. Johnsons. At 10 a.m. we went to the conference.

Sunday, May 26, 1901 - Colonia Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico

2 p.m. meeting. Prayer and Singing.

The Criminal and Probate Judges with some friends attended our meeting. Henry Eyring and Helaman Pratt spoke in Spanish. L. John Nuttall, A. W. Ivins and Myself spoke also and the Interpretation was given.

Both of the Judges spoke and expressed their satisfaction with the spirit of the meeting. The Choir sang in Spanish and repeated the National Hymn.

Monday, May 27, 1901 - Colonia Juarez

I had a talk with A. F. McDonald about Sealings and I told him if he was sealing Plural Wives to men his standing in the church was in danger.

Thursday, May 30, 1901 - Chihuahua City, Chihuahua, Mexico

We visited the Cathedral, the state Palace and the Plaza. We took a look at the Monument to Hidalgo.

We visited the prison where Hidalgo was held previous to his execution by the Spaniards.

We had a nice visit with Gov. Alumada. He gave us a letter of Introduction to the Minister Fomento at the City of Mexico.

Sunday, June 2, 1901 - Mexico City

We held a fast meeting in our room in the hotel. Present A. W. Ivins, Henry Eyring, Ammon M. Tenney, Bro. Perez and Wife, Myself and Wife. We partook of the Sacrament and most of us bore testimony.

We paid a visit to the spot where Alvarado is said to have made his celebrated leap. We went to Noche Triste where Cortez is said to have wept after he had been driven out of the City of Mexico. A tree of immense size marks the spot. It must be 80 feet around it. We had a fine shower of rain fall while we were here. It fell in torrents. I said to my wife that while Cortez wept on this spot the Heavens are weeping over us. We returned to the City. We took a ride on an Automobile out to the Palace of Chapultepec, going along the Grand Avenue. We walked among the trees, flowers and fountains. There was a magnificent array of Horses and Carriages on the driveway.

Tuesday, June 4, 1901 - Mexico City

All of our party except Bro. Ammon M. Tenney paid a visit to the American National Cemetery. We went to see the grave of Sylvester D. Collett. It is in the South West Corner of the Cemetery.

We dedicated the grave anew. I stood at the head, my wife at the foot, A. W. Ivins on right and Henry Eyring on the left. I offered the prayer. The grave of our dead friend is sheltered in the morning from the rays of the sun by the shaft of the National Monument.

It is a beautiful spot. The nations dead only are to be buried here in the future.

Our visit was a joy to me, as well as the rest.

We visited the Tomb of Benito Juarez and other heroes of the Mexican Republic. His tomb was covered with flowers.

Thursday, June 6, 1901 - Mexico City

It is Corpus Christi, the most celebrated of the days observed by the Catholic people of the world. Over fifteen thousand people were present in the great Cathedral. Hundreds of candles were burning.

Friday, June 7, 1901 - Mexico City

We paid a visit to Hosea Ives LeMantour, Minister of Hacienda (or Finance). After we got through with our business we had a pleasant chat with him. He is an able man.

Saturday, June 8, 1901 - Cuernavaca, Morales

Bro. Herbert L. Hall met us at the Railway station and took us to his hotel, The Hotel Morales. His good lady welcomed us. We had an elegant dinner. The Hotel is a quaint old Mexican house.

The Governor of the state of Morales lives just across the street. His

name is Manuel Alercon. Bro. Hall took us over and introduced to the Governor and he received us in a most friendly way and said we were welcome to preach our faith.

We held a meeting. There were present 8 Natives. All of the Native brethren spoke and Henry Eyring interpreted. Bro. A. M. Tenney was ordained a High Priest and set apart for his mission by me.

Sunday, June 9, 1901 - Cuernavaca, Morales

We drove out to the home [of] Juan Mendez where we held meeting in his Mango Orchard.

10 a.m. meeting. Singing in Spanish by the Natives. Prayer by Henry Eyring.

Prest. Anthony W. Ivins spoke at length to the little congregation of 20 persons. I spoke on works and faith. Bro. Henry Eyring explained what I had said. Anlanio Banos and Manuel Salazar gave their testimonies.

Bro. A. W. Ivins left us and took train for the city of Mexico.

We had a Mexican dinner Spread under the Mango trees. I ate freely. Josephine was timid.

Friday, June 14, 1901 - Mexico City

Frank Marsh, youngest son of Thomas B. Marsh, called upon us. He claimed to be in the faith. He says that about one month before Emma Hale Smith died he called upon her. He asked her if the Prophet Joseph had more wives than one. She broke into tears and said my son has accepted the Presidency of the Reorganized Church.

He also said he had met with a body of Masons in London. A gentleman present by the name of Hamilton gave a wonderful testimony of the character and Mission of the Prophet. Said He Joseph Smith Initiated me into the Secrets of Masonry and I esteem him among the great men of the World.

Monday, June 17, 1901 - Mexico City

At 4 p.m. A. W. Ivins, Ammon M. Tenney, Felix Alserica and I called at the National Palace. At about 6 p.m. we were invited into the presence of President Porfirio Diaz. He received us in the most friendly manner.

Bro. A. W. Ivins said in Spanish after being introduced by Felix Alserica:

Mr. President I greatly appreciate this opportunity of grasping the hand of the Chief Magistrate of the Government which gave an asylum and protection to my people when they were in trouble.

President Diaz Replied That he had complied with his simple duty and aded I am pleased to meet a man who can express these statements in such well chosen words in my own language.

I then said

Mr. President I want to say to [you] in behalf of my people that the manner in which you have received them into your Country, the protection they have received and the assurance they have for the future has won our hearts. We love you and are determined to show our appreciation by being loyal to your government.

President Diaz said

I greatly appreciated these expressions of esteem and Confidence.

When the Mormon people first came to Mexico I felt impressed to receive them. I believed them to be industrious, Moral and progressive and that they would greatly aid in the development and progress of the Country. What I then believed has since become an established fact and I now see my expectations realized.

I then said

The President of the Mormon Church sent his blessing by me, desiring me to express his good wishes for your welfare and the welfare of your people.

President Diaz Replied

I fully appreciate those kind words and assurances of good will and I desire you to say to the Chief of all the Mormons I sincerely reciprocate his good wishes.

Bro. A. W. Ivins explained to President Diaz that we had an especial interest in the Native races and desired to aid in their development.

President Diaz said Our first steps when peace was established was to provide for the Education of the Indians. First we were obliged [to] establish Normal schools for the education of Teachers. Not Teachers who knew how to read and write alone, but Teachers who could train the heart and mould the character, for without this the education of the child is not complete. Our progress, because of the difficulties under which we have labored, has necessarily been slow. He said

Some years ago I visited the United States, where I was feasted and feted. Upon many Occasions speeches were made in which the speakers lauded the wonderful developments made in the United States and wishes were expressed that Mexico might some day reach and same high standard.

I heard this reiterated until it became stale, I finally was called upon to speak and said

The men who first settled the United States were men of learning and Culture who had sought a home in the new in order that they might enjoy religious liberty. Their numbers were constantly augmented by people of the same character. They located in a country of navigable rivers and broad Praries with extensive forests. There were but few Indians and these

have disappeared and by what means I do not care to say. The conditions were favorable and the development has been remarkable.

We on the other hand had a country which instead of Navigable Rivers and broad praries had impenetribile mountains and barren plains. We had but few illustrious men and Millions of Indians. Our progress has been slow because the few Millions of Learned men we have had, who, in the March of progress have been obliged to bear upon their shoulders these Millions of uncivilized people. We are slowly pressing forward and in time hope to reach the hight which has been attained by the United States and bring our burden with us and not leave it behind as they have done. When I had done, said President Diaz, I was fearfull that I might have given offense, as my remarks were in the form of reproach, but to my surprise I was applauded and many compliments extended.

Bro. A. W. Ivins had explained to me. Our Conversation having come to a close and after warm hand shaking President Diaz bowed us out.

Our hearts were full and we left feeling that we had just parted with one of the great and good men of the world.

Our lawyer Felix Alserica was overjoyed with our visit to the President. He had been led to think in serving he had brought discredit on himself. The warm expressions of regard for us by the President brought joy to him.

Tuesday, June 18, 1901 - Mexico City

I called upon General Powell Clayton, the American Minister. He received me in the Kindlyest possible manner and we had a nice visit. Later In company with A. W. Ivins and A. M. Tenney I called again and Introduced them to the Minister, who expressed satisfaction at meeting them.

[Returned home by way of El Paso, Albuquerque, and Colorado.]

Monday, June 24, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I reported my trip to Mexico and bore the kind regards of President Porfirio Diaz to President Lorenzo Snow.

Saturday, June 29, 1901 - Salt Lake City

My Mother is 73 years old today.

I spent the day in fixing up some of my own business. I borrowed \$2,940.00 of Zions Saving Bank and Trust Co. I Bought 324 shares of Sugar stock, 294 for myself, 24 for Josephine and 6 for Sarah. I also bot and paid for three shares of Coop. W. & M. Co.

Sunday, June 30, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I wrote all of the forenoon upon my journal.

June has been a remarkable month in my life's work. I have had part in opening up anew in Mexico the work of spreading the Gospel among

the Indians. My visit with the President of the Mexican Republic gave one great joy and did good for our people.

Monday, July 1, 1901 - Salt Lake City

My son Joseph H. has gone out to Saltair to work. I bot him a spring matrass \$3.00.

Thursday, July 4, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon about home. In the afternoon I was taking my family out for a drive. About 10 p.m. I left over the Rio Grande Western Ry. for Manassa, Colorado.

Monday, July 8, 1901 - Manassa

During the afternoon we held the stockholders meeting and Reelected the old board of the Mexican Colonization and Agricultural Co. John Henry Smith, Anthony W. Ivins, A. F. McDonald, Albert R. Smith, L. P. Helm, L. M. Petersen and Thos A. Crowther. Some reports were read and accepted & filed.

The Directors were sworn and organized with President John Henry Smith, Vice President and Manager A. W. Ivins, Secretary and Treasurer, L. M. Peterson, Ass. Secretary Henry Eyring.

I put into the Treasurers hands \$50.00. Three dollars each was paid to the Directors for last years service and five each to the secretary and Treasurer, expense going out \$8.00.

Thursday, July 11, 1901 - Salt Lake City

All of the Apostles met fasting.

At 11 a.m. Presidents Lorenzo Snow and Joseph F. Smith joined us. We only had prayer and Joseph F. Smith was mouth. H. J. Grant talked against selling Beer at Saltair and the President L. Snow said nothing could be done at the present in regard to that matter. I was mouth in blessing the Sacrament. President Lorenzo Snow made a nice talk and made some nice promises to H. J. Grant in Regard to sons.

Friday, July 12, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I have spent part of the day looking into Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress matters. I ordered a series of books from Harpers History club and mailed a two dollar green back in part payment.

Saturday, July 13, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day with H. J. Grant trying to collect some notes that were given by several parties to Keep L. G. Hardy out of prison. Some paid and some made promises to do so.

Wednesday, July 17, 1901 - Cripple Creek, Colorado

I was unanimously elected president of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress for the next year.

Thursday, July 18, 1901 - Cripple Creek

The Congress met at 10 a.m. President Walter Gresham appointed a committee of three to conduct me to the Chair. He made a few remarks of Welcome and presented me the gavel. I accepted it and made a few words of thanks.

A large share of the report of the Committee on Resolutions was read and adopted.

The afternoon and evening were devoted to Irrigation subjects. Many fine stereoptican views of Canal flumes, Bridges and Mountains and forests were exhibited with telling explanations.

Monday July 22, 1901 - Salt Lake City

President Lorenzo Snow telegraphed Prest. Albert R. Smith to sell the Zapato Ranch if he could get \$6,500.00 for it and that he would pay all delinquent Taxes.

Wednesday, July 24, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day a[t] home reading. Heber J. Grant, Louis P. Kelsch, Horace S. Ensign and Alma O. Taylor left tonight for their Mission to Japan. About two hundred people bid them good by at the depot.

Saturday, July 27, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed of Zions Savings Bank and Trust Co. \$400.00. I put up 43 shares of Lehi Sugar Stock. I bot 33 shares today and paid 16 dollars a share. Josephine and I went out to Saltair. The weather is extremely hot.

Saturday, Aug. 10, 1901 - Salt Lake City

In the afternoon I took Josephine and some of my children and grand children up in City Creek Canyon, where we ate a nice lunch and played under the shade of the trees.

Tuesday, Aug. 13, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Home Dramatic company met and voted to release Wm. H. Rowe as a Director and elect Joseph F. Smith in his place. Heber M. Wells was appointed secretary of the company in place of Horace Ensign, Resigned. It was decided to pay ten dollars a meeting to the Directors and continue the two Tickets to each.

Friday, Aug. 16, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I went out to the Penitentiary to see Goldie Brown. While there the board of Corrections came out and I spent the day with them in their listening to grievances and passing on accounts.

Saturday, Aug. 17, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Josephine and I went out to the Lake and took a bath in the Salt Water.

Monday, Aug. 19, 1901 - Salt Lake City

A very heavy rainfall came today doing damage in many places. I spent most of the day at home reading In the life of Joseph Bonaparte.

Wednesday, Aug. 21, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I supplied Nicholas with \$135.00. I let Nathaniel have \$20.00, Clair Wimmer have \$2.00.

I blest my sons George A. and Nicholas G. who are going on a pleasure trip of three or four weeks going Chicago, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, Pa., New York City, Albany and Buffalo, N. Y., Omaha, Na. and other points of interest.

Thursday, Aug. 22, 1901 - Salt Lake City

At 10:30 a.m. Myself, George Teasdale, John W. Taylor, Matthias F. Cowley, Rudger Clawson and Reed Smoot met in Council at the Temple.

President Lorenzo Snow said he felt the Apostles should be more active in the field in preaching the Gospel among the nations of the World.

Saturday, Aug. 24, 1901 - Salt Lake City and Hyrum, Cache County

My wife Sarah returned home this morning after a twenty day absence at Ogden with her kindred.

J. Golden Kimball and I went by train to Logan. Prest. Wm. C. Parkinson met us and took me in his carriage 8 miles to Hyrum. The afternoon was spent in looking into the condition of men and their fitness to fill the various positions in the stake organization.

Sunday, Aug. 25, 1901 - Hyrum, Cache County

At 9 a.m. the Sunday School convened in the Grove on the Square. I spoke to them for a short time.

At 10 a.m. the Hyrum Stake conference convened. M. W. Merrill, Prest. Morrell of Cache stake and J. Golden Kimball and myself were in attendance.

Prayer by Patriarch Henry Hughes. Several of the brethren and Sisters spoke and I followed for about 25 minutes. Benediction by H. C. Jackson

3 p.m. Prayer by O. N. Liljenquist. The sacrament was administered. J. Golden Kimball and M. W. Merrill took up the time in good talks. Benediction by Elias S. Kimball.

At 7:30 p.m. we held a young people's Conference.

Prayer by Chas. C. Shaw. The speakers were John H. Maughan, Willard Israelson, Orson M. Wilson, Annie M. Ralph and Rose Liljenquist. J. Golden Kimball and I spoke. I made a talk on the Word of Wisdom. Benediction by Prest. Wm. C. Parkinson.

Wednesday, Aug. 28, 1901 - Salt Lake City

President Zina D. H. Young of the Relief Society is dead. She was one of the wives of Joseph Smith the Prophet. Her funeral is fixed for Sunday at 10 a.m.

Joseph F. Smith, wife Edna, his sons Joseph R. and David, Douglas M. Todd, Ben E. Rich and Myself and wife Sarah F. left at 10:40 for Idaho.

Friday, Aug. 30, 1901 - Rexburg, Idaho

Prest. Jos. F. Smith and I met with the school board and talked over the matter of their purchase of the Z.C.M.I. store for school purposes. We also saw Bp. Thos. E. Ricks, Jr. and Hyrum Rich and talked over their claim to the property. We found they did not have any valid claim. We so decided.

Monday, Sept. 2, 1901 - Driggs, Idaho

2 p.m. It was voted to organize a stake to be known as the Teton stake. Don C. Driggs, President, J. David Kilpack, 1 Councillor, Geo. S. Young, 2 Councillor

Friday, Sept. 6, 1901 - Jackson, Wyoming

At 9 a.m. we broke camp and started for the National Park. Our party consisting of Joseph F. Smith, Edna L., Jos. R. and David Smith, Thos. E. Bassett, Jerome Remington and myself and wife, John & H. M. Todd, John Blackhurst, Jerry Carter and Miss Rena Holden. Our outfit consist of 2 spring wagons and two Baggage Wagons.

**Monday, Sept. 9, 1901 - Smith's Ranch,
Uinta County, Wyoming**

[Our] party drove 25 miles to Snake River Bridge where we had to register. We here heard first of the Wounding President McKinley by a Villian at Buffalo, N. Y. on Friday last. It was said hopes were entertained for his recovery.

**Wednesday, Sept. 11, 1901 - The Thumb, Uinta County,
Wyoming [in Yellowstone Park]**

We drove to the Hotel at the outlet of the Yellowstone Lake and had lunch.

We drove on and visited some guysers by the road side. One of them is called the mud Guyser, it is a fearful looking Cauldron.

Friday, Sept. 13, 1901 - Camp on Willow Creek, Yellowstone Park

We heard to day that President William McKinley was dead.

[Continued trip through Yellowstone Park, then into Idaho.]

**Wednesday, Sept. 18, 1901 - Camp on North Fork of Snake River,
Fremont County, Idaho**

We drove 35 miles to Marysville and held meeting. I am Fifty three years old today.

Friday, Sept. 20, 1901 - Rexburg, Idaho

Prest. Thos. E. Ricks is very sick. We went by train to Idaho Falls. We held Meeting in the evening.

Wednesday, Sept. 25, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I was subpoenaed to attend Court on Monday next. President Joseph F. Smith and I wrote to President Theodore Roosevelt and George L. Shoup.

Saturday, Sept. 28, 1901 - Salt Lake City

My son Glenn G. Smith was baptised this Morning in the font under the Tabernacle by John L. Nebeker.

Sunday, Sept. 29, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I attended the fast meeting and paid ten dollars in offering. I confirmed my son Glenn G. A member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints. My daughter Arzella is very sick, and the son of John A. Groesbeck, Milton, is very sick.

Monday, Sept. 30, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I went to Judge Morses Court at 10 a.m. as a witness in the Coop. W. & M. Co. and B.Y.T. Co. Case. I was excused for the day.

Tuesday, Oct. 1, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Brigham Young, Myself, George Teasdale, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund, Abraham O. Woodruff and Rudger Clawson met in council in the Temple.

Brigham Young asked what we thought of the church doing something for President Lorenzo Snows Wives when he was dead. We voted we were willing some provision should be made.

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I was in Court most of the day.

Friday, Oct. 4, 1901 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. the General conference convened, President Joseph F. Smith Presiding, President Lorenzo Snow being poorly. It is stormy.

Saturday, Oct. 5, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The funeral of Milton, son of John A. and Ann Groesbeck, was held at noon in their home.

I was not at the Tabernacle in the afternoon.

Sunday, Oct. 6, 1901 - Salt Lake City

2 p.m. [general conference] President Lorenzo Snow Presiding.

President Lorenzo Snow spoke. The General Authorities were sustained. Joseph F. Smith was made 1st Councillor and Rudger Clawson 2nd Councillor.

Wednesday, Oct. 9, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The cold under which President Lorenzo Snow has been laboring has developed into Pneumonia and he is dangerously sick.

Thursday, Oct. 10, 1901 - Salt Lake City

All of the Apostles in the City were called to the bedside of President Lorenzo Snow at 5 a.m. He was dying. At 3:35 p.m. he breathed his last surrounded by most of the Apostles and many of his family.

Saturday, Oct. 12, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I was at the church office all day with the brethren arranging for the funeral on Sunday. The Oregon Short Line R.R. Co. has tendered to President Joseph F. Smith a funeral train to take the remains of President L. Snow and friends to Brigham City.

Sunday, Oct. 13, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The people by hundred paid a visit to the bier of President Lorenzo Snow in the Beehive house. The Apostles, Seven Presidents of Seventies, and the sons of president Snow acted as pall bearers. His remains were taken to the Tabernacle and the funeral commenced at 10 a.m.

Prayer by M. W. Merrill. Brigham Young, Myself, John W. Taylor, Rudger Clawson and Joseph F. Smith were the speakers. The singing was fine and the floral decorations superb.

Benediction by John R. Winder.

The procession walked to the Railway station and at 1:30 p.m. left for Brigham City with about 320 souls on board. A short stop was made at Ogden. The Run was made to Brigham City in about 1-30 minutes. Teams conveyed all of the party to the Cemetery, passing through rows of children on the streets.

At the grave the Brigham City choir sang.

George Teasdale dedicated the grave.

The party returned to the train and at 5:15 p.m. left for Salt Lake City. The run was made in one hour and 17 minutes.

It was a great day and all passed off in a most pleasing manner.
Peace to the Noble mans ashes.

Tuesday, Oct. 15, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Utah Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. Joseph F. Smith was elected President and I was elected a member of the executive bord.

Wednesday, Oct. 16, 1901 - Salt Lake City

President Joseph F. Smith and me had a talk over his Councillors. He will choose John R. Winder and Anthon H. Lund.

I walked from the office to his home with him. He expressed his undying love for me and said he wanted me right by his side.

Thursday, Oct. 17, 1901 - Salt Lake City

At 11 a.m. Joseph F. Smith, Brigham Young, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson and Reed Smoot, John Smith, Patriarch]. met at their room in the Temple. Geo. F. Gibbs was also present.

I offered prayer. Marriner W. Merrill was mouth at the Altar.

After we had transacted our business, I moved that we proceed at once to the organization of the first Presidency and after some remarks by Joseph F. Smith it was carried unanimously.

On motion of Brigham Young Seconded by the whole body, Joseph F. Smith was sustained as president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints, the vote being unanimous. He Chose for his Councillors John R. Winder and Anthon Henrik Lund. Brigham Young president of the Twelve Apostles. All three were unanimously sustained.

John Smith Patriarch was mouth in setting apart Joseph F. Smith as President of the church. John R. Winder was called in and ordained an Apostle under the hands of us all, President Smith being mouth and also set apart as first Councillor. Anthon H. Lund was set apart as second Councilor by Joseph F. Smith and Brigham Young as the President of the Twelve.

The spirit of Lord was with us in power. J. F. S. was made President of the Temple and Trustee [in Trust] of the church.

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met at 2 p.m. Joseph F. Smith was elected President and Thos. G. Webber a Director.

Sunday, Oct. 20, 1901 - Farmington

I went to Farmington and attended the funeral of Ezra T. Clark, Patriarch.

Prayer by Lorin Farr. Angus M. Cannon, A. O. Woodruff, John W. Hess, Bp. Secrist and I spoke. The attendance was large.

Monday, Oct. 21, 1901 - Salt Lake City

35 years ago yesterday I married my wife Sarah Farr.

I was at the President's office part of the day. The Coop. W. & M. Co. Directors met and appointed a committee to investigate the Question of consolidation of the Coop. W. & M. Co. and Consolidated Implement Co. Interests in one.

Tuesday, Oct. 22, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I was at the President's office all day. I paid to Judge Howat to day on a not[e] of one Sanford \$2,245.25.

A. W. Ivins and I had a long consultation with the Presidency over Mexican C. & A. Co. affairs. Five thousand dollars were appropriated for schools in Mexico. More missionaries are to be used in Mexico.

Thursday, Oct. 24, 1901 - Salt Lake City

At 10:30 a.m. The Apostles met at their room in the Temple. Brigham Young, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, John W. Taylor, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson and Reed Smoot were present.

I opened with prayer. Some of the brethren spoke and John W. Taylor favored Joseph F. Smith selecting one of his sons to fill the vacancy in the apostles. I presented for the consideration the names of the sons of the dead apostles.

At this time the Presidency, Joseph F. Smith, John R. Winder, and A. H. Lund came in. Patriarch John Smith also joined us.

President Joseph F. Smith invited Bp. Wm. B. Preston who had entered to name his choice for a Councillor and he named Orin P. Miller. He was unanimously sustained and Bishop Preston withdrew.

President Smith nominated his son Hyrum Mack Smith to fill the vacancy in the apostles. Matthias F. Cowley moved that the nomination be accepted, seconded by Brigham Young. After every person present had expressed their views freely I called attention to the charge that was likely to be made of Nepotism and said I would bear my share of the responsibility and I endorsed the selection. John Smith Patriarch nominated Jesse N. Smith. President Brigham Young Put the question on Hyrum Mack Smith and he was unanimously Sustained. He was invited in and I gave him his charge. He accepted and said he would do his best.

He was ordained by President Joseph F. Smith.

My daughter Josephine has Scarlet fever.

Friday, Oct. 25, 1901 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and Five of the Apostles, The Presidency of the Granite Stake and Most of the High Council and others numbering in all about 75 souls had a Banquet at president Frank H. Taylor residence.

Singing and speech making was enjoyed untill late at night. A wife of all of the Presidents of the church was present.

Saturday, Oct. 26, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors [of the Salt Lake Theatre Co.] took the oath of office. Joseph F. Smith was elected President, Heber J. Grant Vice President, Geo. D. Pyper Manager Secretary, Heber M. Wells Treasurer. Elias A. Smith, Chas. S. Burton, Geo. D. Pyper and Myself were made a committee to look into the matter of some improvements on the Theatre.

My daughter Josephine is quite sick.

Friday, Nov. 1, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Sugar Co. met and decided to go on with the Eastside Bear River Canal whether the Box Elder Co. people gave us any aid or not, but to ask them to continue trying to get water takers and to secure the right of way for the canal.

The Superintendent of the Sugar Co. and Executive board and Secretary Whitney met Prest. Kelly and J. D. Peters of Box Elder County and stated to them just what the Sugar Comany would do, and they will continue their labors.

It was decided by Joseph F. Smith and John R. Winder, Barlow Ferguson, H. G. Whitney and myself that an effort must be made [to] steady our Sugar Stock and keep it from dropping. The Trustee in Trust put \$15,000.00 and J. R. Winder \$500.00, Jos. F. Smith \$500.00 into a fund to steady the stock.

President Joseph F. Smith, John R. Winder and Anthon H. Lund and myself met President Duffin of the Western States Mission and instructed him to have a Ten thousand Edition of the Book of Mormon printed at Kansas City, Mo. for \$2,100.00, \$1,100.00 to be paid out of the tithings Collected in the mission, \$1,000.00 to be furnished by our friends. President Duffin to secure Electrotpe plates.

Wednesday, Nov. 6, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I was at the president's office part of the day and in Company. The presidency and attorney Franklin S. Richards talked over the condition of the Real Estate property of the Church since the death of Lorenzo Snow, and what ought to be done in the matter. We voted to leave it alone for the present.

Saturday, Nov. 9, 1901 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah and I went to the home of H. B. Clawson and spent the evening in listening to Music. The Central figure was Emma Lucy Gates. We had a splendid time. A number of other talented people took part.

Sunday, Nov. 10, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The special Conference convened at 10 a.m. in the Tabernacle, Joseph F. Smith Presiding.

All of the Changes made in the organization by the death of Prest. Lorenzo Snow. The voting was done by quorums. John R. Winder & Hyrum M. Smith spoke thanking the saints for the honor done them.

In company with all of the Presidency and Reed Smoot I listened to Nathaniel Montgomery story of the failure of the Utah Loan and Trust Co.

Monday, Nov. 11, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office most of the day with the first Presidency considering various questions. I spent the evening at Josephine's where the children and I played checkers. My little daughter Josephine is recovering nicely from Scarlet fever.

Tuesday, Nov. 12, 1901 - Salt Lake City and Provo

I went to Provo today and paid my Taxes there \$3.50. I had a nice visit with my mother and sister. I blest Sister Ida L. Allen and administered to Judge John E. Booth and his daughter who are sick with Typhoid fever.

My wife Sarah and I went to the Theatre.

Wednesday, Nov. 13, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Saltair Beach met at 11:30 a.m. I was elected Vice President and Joseph F. Smith President to fill the vacancy caused by the death of President Lorenzo Snow.

Friday, Nov. 15, 1901 - Salt Lake City

In company with the Presidency and Presiding Bishop I went all over the Deseret News building. It is at present giving employment to about 200 men.

On Wednesday evening some sections of our state was badly shaken by an Earthquake.

Today at Farmington, Davis Co. my niece Clarissa Lyman Wimmer was married to Theodore Cleghorn by Elder Nephi Palmer.

Monday, Nov. 18, 1901 - Salt Lake City

My son George A. had an operation on his forehead today by Dr. Joseph S. Richards.

Tuesday, Nov. 19, 1901 - Salt Lake City

L. J. Nuttall, Surveyor Charles Hardy and I spent the day at Saltair Beach Taking measurements and found that 22 hundred feet west from the west front of the Pavilion the water was four 4 feet deep and from there on west that it grew much deeper. The Engineer is to give us three estimates on

different routes for the construction of a tramway to the deep water. I spent the evening at Josephines.

Joseph F. Smith, John R. Winder, Anthon H. Lund, T. R. and J. C. Cutler, Barlow Furguson, W. B. Preston and I met a Mr. Willett of New York who is a representative of the Sugar Trust. He wants to buy a one half interest in the Lehi Sugar Co. If we won't sell then they will enter at once into competition with us.

This committee agreed to submit this proposition to the Directors of the Sugar Co.

Saturday, Nov. 23, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. and determined to accept the proposition.

Wednesday, Nov. 27, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I sealed my niece Clarissa Lyman Wimmer to Theodore Cleghorn in the Temple today. We had a nice gathering at our house.

Friday, Nov. 29, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office today. Joseph F. Smith, John R. Winder, Anthon H. Lund, Brigham Young, John W. Taylor, Matthias F. Cowley, Rudger Clawson, Myself & Robert S. Campbell had under consideration the question of the sale of the Power Plant. No conclusion was reached.

Angus M. Cannon, Mayor Thompson, Abraham F. Doremus, James H. Anderson and myself met at A. M. Cannons office, having been appointed a committee by the Canal company to apply to Congress to Dyke Utah Lake. A. M. Cannon was selected as Chairman and A. F. Doremus as secretary. It was agreed to ask the Canal Companies to provide three thousand dollars to secure the proper data to present to Congress.

Thursday, Dec. 5, 1901 - Salt Lake City

All of the first Presidency and Brigham Young, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, John W. Taylor, Marriner W. Merrill, Matthias F. Cowley, Rudger Clawson and Reed Smoot met in the Temple. We decided that the Trustee in Trust might sell the churches interest in the the Power Plant.

President Smith requested all of the Apostles in reach to attend our Thursday meeting.

Thursday, Dec. 12, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day attending meetings.

The committee on Utah Lake matters met at 10 a.m. Present, Angus M. Cannon, A. F. Doremus, Mayor Thompson and Myself. Three thousand dollars has been appropriated by the City and the Canal Co.s to meet the expense of getting data with which to go to Congress to secure Legislation so as to make Utah Lake a Reservoir.

Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Matthias F. Cowley, M. W. Merrill and Rudger Clawson & John W. Taylor met in Council. At 11 a.m. all of the First Presidency joined us. Prayer by John Smith Patriarch. At the Altar John R. Winder. It was an interesting meeting, the financial condition of the Church was gone over. It was found we were solvent all right. President Joseph F. Smith instructed me to take charge of the Twelve in the absence of Brigham Young who had also told me to preside.

Friday, Dec. 13, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Committee on the impounding of the waters of Utah Lake met at President A. M. Cannons office at 10 a.m. Franklin S. Richards was chosen for the attorney and A. F. Doremus for Engineer. The Committee of the Whole are to go into Utah County and see the people and talk over this matter.

Saturday, Dec. 14, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I went down to Provo City. I paid to Hannah M. Smith the 10 dollars appropriated to her by the presidency.

Monday, Dec. 16, 1901 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Lehi Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. Supt. T. R. Cutler reported his Interview with Mr. Havemeyer of New York on the sugar question, also his labors at Washington, D. C.

It looks as if we would be compelled to sell out a half interest in the Sugar Co. to the Trust.

In the evening my wife Sarah and I went to the Theatre to see Jon Yonson.

Thursday, Dec. 19, 1901 - Salt Lake City

At 10:30 a.m. M. W. Merrill, John W. Taylor, Geo. Teasdale and Myself met at our room in the Temple. M. F. Cowley and Rudger Clawson joined us later.

At 11 a.m. all of the first Presidency joined us. Many subjects were talked over. It was agreed to return to Spencer Clawson his securities on \$40,000.00 he owed us.

Monday, Dec. 23, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Today the Stockholders of the Coop. W. & M. Co. met and decided to consolidate the Consolidated and Coop. W. & M. Co. in one under the name of the Consolidated W. & M. Co. At a meeting of the proposed new board consisting of Joseph F. Smith, W. S. McCornick, Geo. A. Snow, Frank Snow, Geo. Romney, James Moyle, Myself and L. S. Hills, Geo. T. Odell, Gilbert Wright, Chas. S. Burton and Heber J. Grant [we] read and passed upon some articles of incorporation.

Tuesday, Dec. 24, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Angus M. Cannon, Abraham F. Doremus, James H. Anderson, Franklin S. Richards and myself went to Provo and met the owners of land laying in the boarders of the Utah Lake and talked over the making of the Lake a Reservoir. Our meeting was a friendly one. I was made chairman. We had a free discussion and left the court house feeling very well. The owners of Land about the Lake met and approved a Committee to meet with us.

Wednesday, Dec. 25, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day at home visiting with my wives and Children. I had Christmas dinner at Sarahs.

Christmas cost me about \$160.00.

Thursday, Dec. 26, 1901 - Salt Lake City

I received \$300.00 from the Lehi Sugar Co as dividends. On Monday night I received from the Coop. W. & M. Co. for services \$300.00.

Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1901 - Salt Lake City

Angus M. Cannon, Mayor Ezra Thompson, Abraham F. Doremus, James Anderson, Franklin S. Richards and I met and talked over the Utah Lake Reservoir matter. We find a good many snags in our way.

Wednesday, Jan. 1, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day visiting at home with my family. My eight Sons and myself sat for a Picture at Johnson Galery.

I had my dinner at Josephines.

Friday, Jan. 3, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I was at the president's office during the forenoon.

N. W. Clayton, L. John Nuttall and I spent the afternoon at Saltair looking over the property. It is in a bad state of repair.

Tuesday, Jan. 7, 1902 - Salt Lake City

Patriarch John Smith gave my son Winslow F. Smith a Patriarchal blessing today. I blest and set him apart for a Mission to Germany.

Thursday, Jan. 9, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Saltair Beach Co. met and heard a report made by the committee. I received my monthly pay as Vice- President and Directors fee \$35.00.

Monday, Jan. 13, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I gave my son Winslow F. Smith two hundred dollars to help him on his mission.

Tuesday, Jan. 14, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I had all of my family together at Josephines tonight. We had a nice visit and ate Ice cream and Cake. I spoke to my family and we had some singing.

Wednesday, Jan. 15, 1902 - Salt Lake City

My son Winslow Farr Smith left for his mission, going to Ogden to spend part of the day.

All of the first Presidency and seven of the Apostles met at 10 a.m. and talked over the U.S. Senator matter.

I went to Ogden and kissed my son good bye.

Sunday, Jan. 19, 1902 - Salt Lake City

My son Winslow F. Smith is 21 years old today and he is to arrive in Washington, D.C. to day on his way to Germany.

Friday, Jan. 24, 1902 - Salt Lake City

At 5 p.m. today the Presidency informed me that they favored Reed Smoot for U.S. Senator.

Saturday, Feb. 1, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency decided to let Helen M. Morgan have in G.T.O orders \$25.00 per month, Mary and Annie \$25.00 each per month.

Monday, Feb. 3, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Lehi Sugar Co. met and heard from Superintendent T. F. Cutler [who] made a report of his trip East and recommended the Sugar Co. to sell half of their stock. It was voted to do it. It is to go to the Trust.

Wednesday, Feb. 5, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I had part in blessing a number of Sisters in the Temple Annex. They are going to attend the National Council of Women. I was mouth in blessing Emeline B. Wells, Maria Y. Dougal, Phoebe Beatty and Bathsheba W. Smith. We gave them some instruction as to their duties.

Thursday, Feb. 13, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I was at the City Hall with Geo. T. Odell, S. Fenton and Jones asking for a Telephone Franchise. We met the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Friday, Feb. 14, 1902 - Salt Lake City

President Lorenzo Snows family is in trouble over property matters.

I was at the office of the Presidency part of the day. David Eccles and C. W. Nibley were at the office talking over sugar matters.

Saturday, Feb. 15, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Lehi Sugar Comany met at 10 a.m. today. We talked over the proposed Sale of one half of the stock to the Trust. I expressed myself very fully on the matter. It was decided to ask them to consent to the Election of a board to hold office for five years.

Friday, Feb. 21, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I Changed my thirteen shares of Coop. W. & M. Co. stock for Eighteen shares of Preferred and Eight shares of Common stock in the Consolidated W. & M. Co. by paying \$68.00 additional.

Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The committee appointed by the canal companies of this county to petition Congress in regard to the waters of Utah [Lake] made their report and resigned owing to divisions in the councils of the canal companies.

Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1902 - Salt Lake City

A 2 p.m. the Irrigation Congress met at the Assembly Hall. They were called to order by Gov. H. M. Wells who read a paper.

I was elected Temporary Chairman and Frank K. Nebeker temporary secretary.

Sunday, March 2, 1902 - Salt Lake City

Ben E. Rich reached here from Washington, D.C. Things are hot in Congress just now over the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the U.S. in regard to Polygamy.

Monday, March 10, 1902 - Salt Lake City

It is a beautifull morning. Ben E. Rich and myself are to go to Washington, D.C. to see in regard to the question of the proposed amendment to the Constitution against polygamy. I was set apart thereto by President Joseph F. Smith.

Sunday, March 16, 1902 - Baltimore, Maryland

It rained most of the day. I attended the Presbyterian Church in the morning and heard a nice sermon on Charity. I wrote to my children. I attended the services in the Catholic Cathedral. Father O'Gavin gave a fine sermon on the reason why the Catholics adored the Images of dead Saints.

Tuesday, March 18, 1902 - Washington, D.C.

I called upon several parties in the Departments of the government, Congressman [George] Sutherland with me. I had an interview with Congressman [Franklin] Mondell of Wyoming, and Senators Kearns, M. A. Hanna, Francis E. Warren, [John] Spooner and others. Ben E. Rich joined

me. He having gone by way of Chattanooga. We sent a telegram to Prest. Joseph F. Smith. All was well.

Wednesday, March 19, 1902 - Washington, D.C.

Ben E. Rich and Myself in company with Senator Thos. Kearns called upon President Theodore Roosevelt. He received us with open arms and expressed his personal regard for us and said he would do anything he could for us and that the proposed Constitutional amendment should not go through. I had a nice visit with Senator [William] Allison of Iowa and he said the [same]. We met others and all seem perfectly friendly and kind.

Thursday, March 20, 1902 - Washington, D.C.

Ben E. Rich and I spent the entire day calling upon and visiting with Members of Congress and U.S. Senators.

Friday, March 21, 1901 - Washington, D.C.

I had a nice visit with Senator Clarence D. Clark of Wyoming, a member of the Committee on Judiciary, and he promised me not to allow anything done in regard to our case if he could help it.

Saturday, March 22, 1902 - Washington, D.C.

We called on the president who again received us with kindness and Warm expressions of regard. He said to us Senator Kearns was doing all he could for us.

I had a nice interview with Senator [Mark] Hanna and he said our people should receive no hurt and asked me to do all I could for the party success. I was Introduced to Post Master General Payne. The day was spent in making calls.

[Left Washington and visited missions in New York, Boston, and Chicago before returning home April 5.]

Sunday, April 6, 1902 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

During the noon hour the Presidency and Apostles and Patriarch met and talked over the mater of the place the Patriarch of the Church should be sustained in whether before or after the Apostles.

It was determined to leave it over for the present.

Wednesday, April 9, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Utah Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. and organized. Jos. F. Smith President, Horace G. Whitney Secretary and Treasurer, Thos. R. Cutler Manager, W. S. McCornick, John R. Winder and Myself the Executive Committe and the Manager also a member.

Friday, April 11, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The Case of Mons Petersen was talked over and some one is to go to Moab to look into maters there.

Tuesday, April 15, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents all day. Listening to troubles and giving Council.

Tuesday, April 22, 1902 - Salt Lake City

My son George A. had a surgical operation performed on him at the Holy Cross Hospital today by Dr. J. S. Richards. An aneurism was removed from his head.

Wednesday, April 23, 1902 - Salt Lake City

George A. is doing nicely. My son Joseph H. is in trouble at his school. He has stoped going.

I promised to lease Samuel Cooper my land for 5 years at \$33.00 per month, I to pay the Taxes on the land and he on the buildings.

Thursday, April 24, 1902 - Salt Lake City

President Joseph F. Smith and I went to Provo. We met with the Directors of the Brigham Young Academy and cleared up the current business.

We listened to some complaints made by Bros. Wolf and Becksted against Prof. B. F. Cluff. The matters involved were finally referred to a committee of three consisting of Wilson H. Dusenberry, L. Holbrook and Prof. Hickman.¹²

Sunday, April 27, 1902 - Moab, Grand County

We talked over the various matters of trouble existing among various parties.

We arranged to give Thompson Bros. four shares of water, the School district one share. I put \$100.00 into the hands of Mons Petersen to by water stock. A. P. Sorensen is to have one gallon of water per minute from the spring. Mons Peterson is to pay to the Church one third the farm produces.

Friday, May 2, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I was at the presidents office most of the day. I paid the State Bank \$1,005.77. I had a bath at the springs.

Saturday, May 3, 1902 - Salt Lake City

My Fathers Wife Bathsheba is 80 years old to day and in good health. Upon the Invitation of President Joseph F. Smith and family about 75 relatives and friends met at the Beehive house. We had a nice lunch and singing and speach making was Indulged in. We had a most interesting time.

¹²Charges against Benjamin Cluff, Jr., had been filed by Walter Wolfe, the Brigham Young Academy teacher whose behavior as a member of the ill-fated Colombian expedition had been among the matters of concern to church leaders. See Bergera and Priddis, 12.

Josephine and I went to the Theatre.

Friday, May 16, 1902 - Provo

The Directors or Trustees of the Academy met and decided the Cluff [matter]. He is to be sustained as president of the faculty and was censured for some of his doings in trip to the South Land.

Saturday, May 17, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The board met with the faculty and President Joseph F. Smith explained what had been done in the Cluff matter.

Friday, May 23, 1902 - Fort Cameron and Beaver City

The Alumni of the Beaver Branch of the Brigham Young Academy met at 10 a.m. and rendered a fine Program. Pro. Partridge delivered a fine oration on the developement of mechanics. Prest. B. Cluff and I followed along the same line. I went with Bro. B. Cluff and A. Anderson down to Beaver City to attend the meeting of the Board of Trustees and to visit the sick.

Friday, June 13, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent about home. In the evening Josephine in company with a number of others was at Sister Precilla Jennings and had a nice banquet and Prest. Joseph F. Smith dedicated her new home. Many of us made short talks. Many nice things were said about her and her husband Wm. Jennings.

Saturday, June 14, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I called upon Mrs. Lorin Farr. She is in a deplorable condition, being eaten up with a Cancer.

Wednesday, June 18, 1902 - Salt Lake City

Clara McPheter Farr died this evening at 8:30 p.m. She was badly burned and was eaten up with a Cancer.

[Went to Colorado for short trip. Spoke at funeral of son of Jesse J. Smith and met with board of Mexican C. & A. Co., returning July 1.]

Tuesday, July 1, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I reached home at 9:30 a.m. and found all well but my son Joseph H. who has a bad Cold.

I set my son Nicholas G. Smith and Wm. T. Nuttall apart for mission. My son is going to Holland.

Wednesday, July 2, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day making arrangements for my son Nicholas G. to get off[f] on his mission. I spent in fitting him out \$275.50. The Sunday

School and Mutual gave him \$40.00. We sent Winslows trunk clothes and Money \$50.00.

My family spent the evening at Josephines. We had Ice Cream and Cake and some singing and speech making. The time was most pleasantly passed.

Thursday, July 3, 1902 - Salt Lake City

Nicholas had a Patriarchal blessing today at the hands [of] Patriarch John Smith.

At 9:45 a.m. son Nicholas G. and William T. Nuttall [left] for their missions. L. J. Nuttall, my sons Joseph and George A. and I went to Ogden with them. At 2:10 p.m. they left Ogden for the East in a Pullman Palace Car.

Friday, July 4, 1902 - Salt Lake City

It is cold and stormy. I spent the entire day writing letters. I had my over coat on while doing so.

I issued a check for Winslow to pay life Insurance \$73.50.

Wednesday, July 9, 1902 - Salt Lake City

My son Ezra Chase is trying to negotiate for a home. I drove out to look at it.

Saturday, July 12, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I gave my son Ezra Chase Smith a check to apply on a home purchase of \$350.00.

Tuesday, July 15, 1902 - Salt Lake City

In company with all of the First Presidency, Jerry Lanford and L. J. Nuttall we went over the Pass business of the Los Angeles Railway.

The President and Manager are to issue the passes. A wife can use her husbands pass if issued to a man and wife.

Friday, July 18, 1902 - Thompsons Springs and Moab, Grand County

At 6 a.m. we [Reed Smoot and John Henry Smith] left by stage for Moab where we arrived at 4 p.m. We put up at Bp. Johnson's. In the case of Mons Petersen and Sorenson over a water right We advised them to settle the matter in court as the case had already been filed.

Saturday, July 19, 1902 - Moab

We considered the land trouble between Mons Petersen and Bp. Johnson and held it under advisement untill tomorrow In order that we might see the surveyor.

Sunday, July 20, 1902 - Moab

2 p.m. Reed Smoot and I both spoke at the services. My subject

was let every man mind his business. We decided the line between Johnson and Petersen should be where the surveyor had set while the church held the property.

[Went with Sarah F. and a Utah group to Minneapolis, Minnesota, for Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress annual meeting. Went on a pleasure trip following the meetings to Ontario, Canada, Mackinac Island, Michigan, and other places in the area before going to Chicago for a few days.]

Wednesday, Sept. 3, 1902 - Chicago

We made few purchases. John C. Cutler gave me fifty dollars and Bp. George Romney gave ten dollars. W. H. Ritter, H. Dinwoodey, George Romney, John Barnes, Albert Scowcroft, John C. Cutler and Lafayette Holbrook paid my steamer expenses from Duluth, Minnesota to Chicago, Ill., \$41.50.

Friday, Sept. 5, 1902 - Burlington, Iowa to Nauvoo, Illinois

We went to Carthage, the County Seat of Hancock Co., Ill. 32 miles. We visited the old jail and saw the places where the Prophet and Patriarch were killed.

Every body treated us very kindly. We hired Cariages and drove 22 miles to Nauvoo. We put up at the Oriental Hotel run by Mr. Reinhold. He has some of the Rocks that were carved and used in the Nauvoo Temple.

John R. Barnes and I took a hasty run down to the Early home of the Prophet, the Mansion and Nauvoo house. The Prophets old home is now owned by his son Joseph. The Mansion is owned by Alexander Smith, and the Nauvoo house by a Mister Chas. E. Bidamon.

Saturday, Sept. 6, 1902 - Nauvoo

I saw the homes of Brigham and Jos. Young, John Taylor, Heber C. Kimball, Wilford Woodruff, Parley P. Pratt, Edward Hunter, Lorin Farr. The old Farm of Daniel H. Wells, the Masonic and Seventies Halls, The Temple block and many other places.

My Father's home was at the Corner of Parley and Durfey streets and was Lot 4 Block 123. Part of the old wall is in the present Rock house built by a Mr. Gates. My grand Father John Smith Patriarch lived here with his son George A. Smith.

It is said that a man by the name of Hauck killed Joseph the Prophet. It is also said he fled the country and has never been heard from.

Joseph and Hyrum Smith are presumed to be buried by the grove of Emma Hale Smith just north and about three rods south west of the old Smith Home just over looking the River to the south.

Emma Hale Smith objected to Polygamy in her first husband but she lived with Major Bidamon while he raised a family outside of Wedlock.

Some of the old furniture owned by the Prophet is still in the house known as the New Mansion. I wrote a few lines on an old table said to have been one used by the Prophet. I have felt I have been standing on holy ground today.

Mr. Chas. E. Bidamon showed us a medal said to have been carved by Joseph Smith with this inscription on It Confirms O Deus Potentes-semus.¹³

Wednesday, Sept. 10, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I am glad to be at my home but I must say I have never had a more satisfactory trip.

Thursday, Sept. 11, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I went up to Ogden to attend the Republican State Convention and was made its chaplain.

Wm. M. McCarty was nominated for justice of the supreme Court, Joseph Howell for Congress.

Saturday, Sept. 13, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I finished writing up my Journal from the notes I had kept on my trip to St. Paul and the Lakes. I took my wagon to be fixed. I called upon Prest. Brigham Young. He is in a most desperate fix, with dropsy.

Sunday, Sept. 21, 1902 - St. George [stake conference]

Prest. Joseph F. Smith and Wm. B. Preston made some talks on duties of the Priesthood and the payment of the Lord his tenth. The question was asked how many present had seen the prophet Joseph Smith and thirty nine persons responded that they had.

Friday, Oct. 3, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The Irrigation Congress met in the Assembly Hall at 10 a.m. I offered two Resolutions which were adopted.

Hon. Franklin S. Richards talked on the legal question involved in the Irrigation Law.

Saturday, Oct. 4, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The General Conference convened at 10 a.m. in the Tabernacle. All of the Presidency present. All of the Apostles but Bro. Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman and Heber J. Grant. There were also present the Patriarch of the church . . . the Presiding Bishopric and other prominent Elders.

[Went to Colorado on October 5 for Irrigation Congress in Colorado Springs, returning October 11.]

¹³ For more on this medal, see D. Michael Quinn, *Early Mormonism and the Magic World View* (Salt Lake City: Signature Books, 1987), 65-75.

Monday, Oct. 13, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I was busy writing much of the day. I spent the evening with Senator Thomas Kearns and talked over the Political situation with him.

Saturday, Oct. 18, 1902 - Salt Lake City

President A. H. Lund and Apostles George Teasdale, Reed Smoot and Myself went to Ephraim, San Pete Co. to attend the funeral of the late president Canute Peterson.

Sunday, Oct. 26, 1902 - Rexburg, Idaho

I was at four [political] meetings today. The speakers were Jas. Sharp, Ben E. Rich, Thos. E. Basset, Frank Bramwell and others. Governor Frank Hunt also spoke to us.

Saturday, Nov. 1, 1902 - Market Lake, Idaho, to Salt Lake City

Mr. Turner gave me \$25.00 to pay my Railway expenses and sleeper fare. I returned home and found all well. I have traveled by rail about 750 miles, by team 185 miles and held 13 meetings.

Tuesday, Nov. 4, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I returned home found all well. The Election is going quietly along. I voted a straight Republican Ticket.

Wednesday, Nov. 5, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The Country has gone Republican. Utah, Idaho and Montana are said to be all right.

Saturday, Nov. 8, 1902 - Oakley, Idaho

At 7 p.m. all of the Priesthood of the stake met and after some reports were made and the President of the stake had given some instructions I made some explanations of my political efforts and the results that had come from them in the interests of the Liberties of the people. As upon all the former meeting the good spirit prevailed.

Tuesday, Nov. 18, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in study and In the evening Sarah and I went to the House warming of Senator Kearns. It is a grand home and is magnificently furnished. A large company were present.¹⁴

Monday, Nov. 24, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I met with Elmer B. Jones, George T. Odell, Samuel R. Fenton and Heber M. Wells. We made up our Minds to try and secure a Franchise for the home Telephone Co.

¹⁴ The Kearns mansion on South Temple Street was later given to the State of Utah and became the official residence of the governors of Utah.

We all went to the City Council in the evening and with a vote of 9 to 1 we secured the grant.

Tuesday, Nov. 25, 1902 - Provo

I went to Provo and met Prest. Joseph F. Smith and Reed Smoot. We went to the Academy and the Presidency of Utah, Nebo, Alpine, Wasatch and Juab stakes. We held meeting and finally agreed to build a building that would Cost \$18,000.00. Nine thousand of it to be raised by the stakes.

Friday, Nov. 28, 1902 - Salt Lake City

George T. Odell, Heber M. Wells, Hal Brown, Sam Fenton, Nephi W. Clayton, Elmer B. Jones and myself called upon Mayor Ezra Thompson in regard to the Utah Home Telephone Franchise and had a talk with him. He treated us nicely but while he did not say so we felt certain that he would veto the Franchise.

I put in the hands of Josephine and Sarah \$85.00 each.

Monday, Dec. 1, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Home Telephone Co. were granted a Franchise to night by a vote against the Mayors veto of 10 to 5.

Tuesday, Dec. 2, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The First Presidency have sent east a Dispatch saying the church is doing no Marrying in Polygamy.

I mailed forty five dollars to Nicholas and thirty five to Winslow. Post office orders.

Thursday, Dec. 4, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I received the following Message

Washington, D.C. Dec. 4th

Apostle John Henry Smith
Salt Lake City

Confidential: If convenient would like to see you in Washington some time later part of Next Week.

M. A. Hanna

Friday, Dec. 5, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the First Presidency all day. I sent the following Telegram this evening.

Salt Lake City, Utah
Dec. 5th, 1902

Senator M. A. Hanna
Washington, D. C.

Previous engagements will prevent me going at the time named.

John Henry Smith

Saturday, Dec. 6, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I wrote to Wm. T. Jack and sent him the Draft of a Resolution for an amendment to the Constitution of Idaho Relieving the saints of the Test Oath provisions.

Thursday, Dec. 11, 1902 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and George Teasdale, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot and I met at the Temple, Secretary G. F. Gibbs being present.

We passed upon several items of business. We decided to keep some of our Presidents of Missions for a longer period of time and to provide for their families.

George Teasdale and I called up Prest. Brigham Young and blest him. He is in a very feeble condition. I spent the evening at Josephines.

Friday, Dec. 12, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The board of Directors of the Utah Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. in the companys office and read over the new Articles of incorporation combining the Sugar Co. and the Bear River Canal Co.

Saturday, Dec. 13, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I attended a stockholders meeting of the Utah Sugar Co. where they voted to incorporate for six Millions of Dollars by joining the Sugar Co. and Bear River Canal Co. as the Utah Sugar Co.

The Directors of the old companies met and closed up their business and adjourned sine a die.

Saturday, Dec. 20, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Utah Home Telephone Company met in Jones and Collins offices in the Commercial Building. We signed a \$25,000.00 bond to Salt Lake City. We are liable for five thousand each.

I am to have fifteen thousand shares of the stock.

I went before the state Board of Pardons today and made a talk in the interest of Parlan McFarlan Jr.

The Utah Home Telephone Co. Directors met in the evening. The Governor told [me] McFarlan had been granted a Parole.

Sunday, Dec. 21, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I visited McFarlan at the Penitentiary and had a long talk with him.

I spoke for two hours in the 10th ward in the evening.

Monday, Dec. 22, 1902 - Salt Lake City

Parlan McFarlan Jr. called upon me this morning having left the Penitentiary after a Residence there as 13 years.

The following brethren met and agreed to organize a company to buy a Bank: Jos. F. Smith, Geo. A. Smith, A. H. Lund, F. Y. Taylor, Geo. M. Cannon, Wm. H. Smart, Jos. Nelson & Myself.

The Utah Commercial bank people will sell the Control of the stock of that Bank.

Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1902 - Salt Lake City

We met over the bank matters and agreed to examine more closely.

Wednesday, Dec. 24, 1902 - Salt Lake City

Presidents Joseph F. Smith and A. H. Lund, Myself, George Teasdale, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. and John Smith with Secretary G. F. Gibbs met at the presidents office.

Reports were made and some talk made in regard the use of the name Apostle and it was thought best to call each other Elder or brother.

I went to Ogden with S. F. Fenton in regard to a Franchise from the City of Ogden for the Utah Home Telephone Co. We [saw] some of our friends.

Thursday, Dec. 25, 1902 - Salt Lake City

It is a fine day, all of my children are happy today. I had dinner at Josephine's. It is warm and thawing.

Saturday, Dec. 27, 1902 - Provo

I went to Provo today with S. F. Fenton in the interest of the Utah Home Telephone Co. and saw members of the City Council in regard to a Franchise.

Monday, Dec. 29, 1902 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed from Zions Savings Bank and Trust Co. today \$2,145.00 and gave as security 30 shares of Utah National Bank stock and ten shares Con. W. & M. Co. Stock. Money on call at 6%.

Tuesday, Dec. 30, 1902 - Salt Lake City

The day was largely spent at the Presidents office. Ben E. Rich, John A. Bagley, Prest. Webster and George C. Parkinson were in the City. I told them that no man were authorized to use the name of the presidency or the church in Politics.

Wednesday, Dec. 31, 1902 - Salt Lake City

This has been a fairly prosperous year for me. Myself and family have paid Tithing on over five thousand dollars, paid \$520.00 tithing. I have sent my boys who are on missions about \$500.00. I have paid \$1,200.00 in taxes. I gave my son Chase \$350.00. My Daughter Sarah \$200.00 to go to

California. I have sent to Jesse W. Smith \$24.00. I have given to the poor in various forms \$250.00. I paid \$150.00 for my wife Sarah trip to St. Paul Minnesota. I have had from the church as expense money \$730.00, of this Susa Y. Gates had \$200.00, Ben E. Rich \$125.00. \$150.00 was paid as expenses to Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress, \$50.00 to the Irrigation Congress. My Expenses to Washington, Boston and the East \$205.00 consisting of RR and sleeper fare and Hotel Bills. \$75.00 Expenses of various trip to Colorado and Idaho.

Friday, Jan. 2, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the President most of the day. I had a long talk with Senator Kearns, he wanted me to join him in knocking Reed Smoot out which I declined to do. Kearns goes East today.

Saturday, Jan. 3, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Governor H. M. Wells called on the Presidency upon the request of a Committee of Citizens and asked for money to secure a historical sketch of this City in Leslie's Weekly. They gave \$500.00.

Monday, Jan. 5, 1903 - Salt Lake City

The stockholders of the Utah Home Telephone Co. met and elected the following board of Directors: Heber M. Wells, Samuel F. Fenton, Hal Brown, M. H. Walker, George T. Odell, Nephi Clayton, E. B. Jones and Myself and Hammond, A Chicago man.

The Directors elected Heber M. Wells president, S. F. Fenton Vice President and Manager, Elmer B. Jones Council, Ed Salone Secretary.

Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I went to Ogden with Hal Brown, Geo. T. Odell, S. F. Fenton and we met with the City Council and Mr. Murray of the Bell Telephone Co. and each party presented their claim for a Franchise. The City Council listened attentively and took the matter under advisement untill Monday Next.

Sunday, Jan. 11, 1903 - Provo

I had two dreams. One was a brood of chickens and the old hen had been killed by a dog and torn to peices and a half grown chick was trying to mother the flock. The other was I was riding in a spring wagon and one of the horses fell dead and rolled over and broke the wagon tongue.

Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1903 - Salt Lake City

In the afternoon at the anex of the Temple 21 Elders were set apart for Missions. One woman was set apart for to labor in studying music.

I was elected a director of the Utah National Bank with Anthon H. Lund, James Chipman, Henry Dinwoodey, Frank Y. Taylor, Geo. A. Smith, Orin P. Miller, Thos. R. Cutler and Jas. Geoghegan, George Sutherland and Wm. H. Smart. The board organized with Prest. A. H. Lund as Pres-

ident, James Chipman as 1st Vice President, Henry Dinwoodey as 2nd Vice President and Joseph Nelsen as Cashier.

Saturday, Jan. 17, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at home during the afternoon to lame [with lumbago] to get about.

Tuesday, Jan. 20, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I am still nearly useless from Lumbago.

Wednesday, Jan. 21, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Reed Smoot has been made United States Senator.

Friday, Jan. 23, 1903 - Salt Lake City

At 11 a.m. I went with Prest. Frank Y. Taylor over to North Jordan Ward to attend a meeting of the stock holders of the North Jordan Canal Company to talk over the merging of all the canals in Salt Lake Co. into one. 2,318 votes were cast against merging and 575 in favor.

Sunday, Jan. 25, 1903 - Salt Lake City

My brother Charles Warren Smith died at 1:30 p.m. today 850 East 11th South Street. Both of his wives were present.

Monday, Jan. 26, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Joseph E. Taylor told me the Coffin and Clothes of my brother would cost \$85.00.

Tuesday, Jan., 27, 1903 - Salt Lake City and Provo

I went down to Provo today and attended the funeral of Mrs. Richard Briarton. The audience was largely apostate Mormons. I had good liberty in speaking as did the other brethren. I returned to Salt Lake City and in company with my son George A. took the remains of my brother Charles W. Smith to Provo and to his home there.

Wednesday, Jan. 28, 1903 - Provo

The funeral of my brother was held in the 4 ward meeting house. Although a very stormy Cold day the attendance was large.

Thursday, Jan. 29, 1903 - Provo

I had my brothers two wives and all of their children together but his daughter Jesse and I talked to them all at some length.

Wednesday, Feb. 4, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at the presidents office a while. I went out to see Brigham Young. He is very bad.

Thursday, Feb. 5, 1902 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, M. W. Merrill,

Matthias F. Cowley, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot and Hyrum M. Smith was present. At the Altar President Joseph F. Smith was mouth. Bro. B. Youngs financial condition was talked over. I called upon Prest. Brigham Young but he did not seem willing to explain his management of affairs to me.

Friday, Feb. 6, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Hon. Reed Smoot gave a Banquet at Provo today in the Theatre of that City. 250 guests sat down at the tables about 7 p.m.

A train load of Legislators left this city at one p.m. and the day was spent in Provo visiting the Brigham Young Academy, the state Insane Asylum and partaking of the feast. A grand Ball at the Mozart Hall closed the days exercises and the Visitors returned to Salt Lake City.

Saturday, Feb. 14, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Abraham O. Woodruff and I went out to President Brigham Youngs and had a nice visit with him. He looked a little better.

This evening Elmer B. Jones of the Utah Home Telephone Co. returned from the East accompanied by three gentlemen, Saterlee, Fanachine and Stromberg, the later the Inventor. The Utah Home Telephone Co. Directors met and decided to Reincorporate in Utah to hold the office of Director for five years. Jones says the Parties are willing to invest one million and a half of Dollars here.

Sunday, Feb. 15, 1903 - Salt Lake City

S. F. Fenton gave a Banquet at 6 p.m. at the Alta Club to the gentlemen from the East. 14 covers were laid. Messers. Saterlee, Fanachine and Stromberg, Gov. H. M. Wells, M. H. Walker, Mr. Adams, Farnsworth, Wilson, Fenton, E. B. Jones, G. T. Odell, Myself, Hal Brown and Nephi Clayton. We had a fine spread and all went well.

Monday, Feb. 16, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I set Fred Rich apart for a Mission to Germany. The Directors of the Utah Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m., McCornick not present. I received ten dollars pay which I gave to Fred Rich. He left for his Mission today. Senator Reed Smoot and James H. Anderson left for Washington to day.

Friday, Feb. 20, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I visited the Penitentiary and had a chat with Tom Williams who killed one Hutchinson over 20 years ago. He is serving a life sentence. With others I am trying to get him paroled.

I got \$1,316.40 from James Jack and deposited it in the Utah National Bank. I have John C. Graham and John C. Booth note for \$1,326.40 secured by 100 shares of Enquirer stock and five shares of Commercial Saving stock. I got \$50.00 from Jas. Jack expense money to pay my way in Idaho and Oregon.

Sunday, Feb. 22, 1903 - Boise, Idaho

I attended four meetings and spoke at them all. We had fair Congregations and the governor and Chief Justice of the state were present.

Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1903 - Boise

I spent the day visiting state officers and visiting members of the Legislature.

Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1903 - Boise

Made a number of calls. We came to the conclusion that we would not make an effort to amend the Constitution in regard to our people.

Thursday, March 5, 1903 - Salt Lake City

We received word that Reed Smoot had been sworn in as United States Senator.¹⁵

Friday, March 6, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I went to Spanish Fork city and bought \$44.40 worth of goods. I got sheeting and other things amounting to \$38.40 and sent them to Esther Martin Smith. I sent her \$20.00 cash and just Previous to my brothers death I sent him \$36.00 Furniture and bedding.

Sunday, March 8, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I had a short visit with my Fathers wife, Bathsheba W. Smith. She gave me a pair of Wollen Mittens that were worn by my Grand Father Patriarch John Smith.

Monday, March 16, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I have supplied my son Nathaniel L. with \$40.00 to go to California with the Tabernacle Choir which left on its journey this morning.

The Directors of the Utah Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. The Directors of the Idaho Sugar Co. met at 11 a.m. The President is to receive \$50.00 per month, the Secretary and Treas. is to receive \$100.00 per month. The Directors \$10.00 for each meeting. The Manager is to receive five thousand a year. The members of the executive Committee are to receive \$25.00 per month each.

Monday, March 23, 1903 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Utah Home Telephone Co. met at Elmer B. Jones and Passed a Resolution asking to change the name of our Company to

¹⁵This was only the beginning of Reed Smoot's efforts to take his seat in the U.S. Senate. A lengthy hearing ensued in which the Mormon church's continuing involvement with polygamy was emphasized and many church leaders—including John Henry Smith—would be called to testify.

that of the Utah Telephone Co. We signed an agreement with the Rochester people.

Wednesday, March 25, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office during the day. We are trying [to] get up some interest in the appointment for the appellate Court. Governor Wells telegraphed Prest. Roosevelt in regard to this matter.

Thursday, March 26, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I went out and spent an hour with Brigham Young. He is now failing fast.

Saturday, March 28, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Surveyor General A. F. Doremus and I went to Provo and attended a meeting of water or land owners on the bank of Utah Lake. They were some what warm but we tried to pacify them.

Monday, March 30, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Work has been commenced on Josephines house.

Wednesday, April 1, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Hyrum M. Smith, Rudger Clawson, Abraham O. Woodruff, Matthias F. Cowley, George Teasdale and I paid a visit to President Brigham Young. He spoke to us for about ten minutes, expressing his love for his brethren and anxiety to be well and at work again among the Saints and in the World. He felt that some of us should visit the missions of the World. He is very poorly indeed. I responded in behalf of the brethren.

Wednesday, April 8, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I attended two meetings today of the Directors of the Utah National Bank. The Comptroler of the Currency has notified the Directors that the Capitol of the bank is impaired to the tune of 25 percent.

I attended Home Fire Insurance Directors meeting, also the Y.M.M.I.A. board meeting.

Thursday, April 9, 1903 - Ogden

I went to Ogden and had a nice time with the Farr family, 260 of whom me[t] together in the Ward meeting house and amusement Hall. Speaking, Singing, reciting, dancing and eating was the order of the day and evening. Aaron Farr is 85 years old. Lorin is 83 years old and Winslow is 66 years old. My sons George and Nathaniel and daughter Priscilla and wife Sarah F. were present.

Friday, April 10, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I took five hundred dollars in the Utah Mexican Rubber Co.

Saturday, April 11, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was busy about the City. The evening was spent at the Home of John McDonald who is 73 years old today. We had a magnificent Dinner and a most sociable time. It was marred by the announcement that President Brigham Young had died at 10:40 p.m. Telegrams were sent by President Joseph F. Smith to Francis M. Lyman and Reed Smoot and John W. Young.

Sunday, April 12, 1903 - Salt Lake City

In company with Prest. Jos. F. Smith, I joined John R. Winder, Abraham O. Woodruff and Hyrum M. Smith and others at the home of Brigham Young. Hyrum M. Smith, A. O. Woodruff and I were appointed a committee to look after the funeral.

Monday, April 13, 1903 - Salt Lake City

In the evening Jos. F. Smith, A. H. Lund, W. S. McCornick, H. G. Whitney, John C. Cutler [and myself] took train for Idaho Falls.

Tuesday, April 14, 1903 - Iona, Idaho

We reached Idaho Falls at 11 a.m. and at 1 p.m. were driven out to the sugar Factory site near Iona. We had a nice Lunch and was then met at the Foundation of the Factory, about three thousand persons present. J. Ed. Smith was Master of Ceremonies. Prayer was offered by Anthon H. Lund. The Corner stone was laid by Prest. Joseph F. Smith. We had singing and instrumental music and a number of speech all short. Regrets were received from Gov. Morrison and W. E. Borah.

Wednesday, April 15, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I reached [home] at 9 a.m. All of the Council of 12 but Lyman, Grant and Merrill were driven out to the home of Bro. Brigham Young and accompanied his remains to the Tabernacle where at one o'clock his funeral was held.

A large number of Carriages followed the remains to the Cemetery. Helds band went part of the distance playing The Dead March in Saul. The Presidency and Twelve and the Paul bearers went in front of the hearse and his family and others followed. At the grave the Temple choir sang two selections and Matthias F. Cowley offered the dedicatory prayer. I thanked all who had taken part in the services and the crowd dispersed.

To night I blest my son George and his wife who are going on a trip to Europe.

Thursday, April 16, 1903 - Salt Lake City

LeGrand Young, Franklin S. Richards, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot and Myself met and considered the matter of the imprisonment and Banishment of our Elders in Germany. The Lawyers are to get up a communication to Secretary of State John Hay.

Tuesday, April 21, 1903 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Independent Telephone Co. met at 10 a.m. Our Directors meetings are to be held on the first and third Tuesdays of each [month] and the Directors are to receive \$5.00 for each meeting.

Friday, April 24, 1903 - Salt Lake City

By Telegraph it was learned to day that Prussia had ordered 145 Mormon Elders out of Germany. We asked the U.S. Senators to Communicate with Secretary of State John Hay, which they did.

Thursday, April 30, 1903 - St. Louis, Missouri

We attended the Dedication services of the World Fair and sat on the Grand Stand. We shook hands with President Roosevelt and many other leading men. The Parade was immense. The fire works in the evening the greatest I had ever seen.

Friday, May 1, 1903 - St. Louis

The day was spent about the City. In the evening Prest. Joseph F. Smith, Reed Smoot and I attended the Reception given to the Foreign ambassadors at the St. Louis Club. It was a grand affair. I made the acquaintance of Grover Cleveland and many others. It was a brilliant affair.

Saturday, May 2, 1903 - St. Louis

We attended the great Civic Parade. It took two hours to pass a given place and it was very fine. We had a splendid lunch at the home of Theodore Meyers. We drove in Tallahoes to the site of the Utah building in the fair grounds. Governor Heber M. Wells, Senator Reed Smoot and Myself made short speeches and President Joseph F. Smith offered the Dedicatory prayer and we drove to our hotels. My bill has been about Fifty dollars.

Sunday, May 3, 1903 - Kansas City, Missouri

We reached here about 8 a.m. and decided to remain the day. Prest. James G. Duffin met and we went out to Independence. We attended Services at the Hedrikite and Reorganized churches, visited some objects of interest and returned to Kansas City. We held meeting with the Elders.

Tuesday, May 5, 1903 - Salt Lake City

W. C. Spence at Evanston [met us] with the news that the story was out that an attempt would be made to arrest President Joseph F. Smith on his reaching Ogden. We consulted a[nd] decided there was no danger and so went right along. We reached home at 4:10 p.m. and found all fairly well. My son Chase is ailing. I went to his home to see him.

Wednesday, May 6, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office most of the day. I had a report made to me that our outside friends or enemies were making an effort to create trouble for some of us.

My son Ezra Chase is quite poorly.

Friday, May 8, 1903 - Salt Lake City

My wives and I went to Spanish Fork to draw our dividend at the store, it amounted to \$298.75 dollars. I credited the church with \$30.00. We drew in goods \$243.89. We returned home. All is well, my son Chase being better.

Monday, May 11, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Jesse M. and Elias A. Smith gave me to pay to Jane M. Smith, the former \$21, the later \$10.00. I have one dollar from John Smith Patriarch, Prest. Jos. F. Smith \$2.00.

Wednesday, May 13, 1903 - Salt Lake City

The Stock Holders of the Utah National Bank concluded to assess their stock 25 per cent. We held a Directors meeting of the Bank also. The Directors of the Home Fire met at 4 p.m. The joint boards of the Y.M.M.I.A. and Y.L.M.I.A. met at 5 p.m.

Thursday, May 14, 1903 - Salt Lake City

The Executive Committee of the Salt Lake Theatre Co. met and opened some bids to build an addition to the Theatre.

The Directors of Saltair Beach Co. determined to remove the bath houses from the South to the North pear if we could get the bids so to do.

Saturday, May 16, 1903 - Kamas, Summit County

It rained and snowed today. At 8:15 a.m. I left over the Park City Road for Kamas. At Park City I was met by Bro. Burbige and taken in a carriage 14 miles. At 2 p.m. I went to meeting in the new meeting house. It is of brick and in the form of a Latin Cross, being 70 feet Long and at the cross the same in width. It will cost when fully completed about \$9,000.00 dollars.

Tuesday, May 19, 1903 - Salt Lake City

President Theodore Roosevelt and Associates reached here this morning. Hundreds of men, women and children turned out to meet him. He spoke to the school children at the city Hall and to the people in the Tabernacle. He had breakfast at Senator Thomas Kearns. He left Salt Lake City about 1:30 p.m.

He received me with open arms as an old time friend.

Tuesday, June 2, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at home all day due to an attack of Lumbago. Hyrum Groesbeck Jr. leaves tomorrow for England.

I sent to Esther Martin Smith \$20.00.

Thursday, June 4, 1903 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the First Presidency and Myself, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, John Smith and Geo. F. Gibbs met in Council. W. N. Riter and Bp. Thomas R. Cutler joined us and the question of building Sugar Factories came up and were talked over.

At 2:30 p.m. there was a meeting of the Directors of Utah Sugar Co. and the Amalgamated Sugar Co. to consider the question of the move of C. W. Nibley to build a factory at Lewiston in Cache Valley. Some talk was made and finally I, Thos. R. Cutler and Judge Rollapp were made a Committee of five to interview stockholders of the new company.

Friday, June 26, 1903 - Salt Lake City

W. W. Riter and I met with David Eccles and Judge Dee and talked over the question [of] Lewiston Sugar Factory. He is more than mad over the turn affairs have taken.

Wednesday, July 1, 1903 - Provo

President Joseph F. Smith and I went to Provo and attended a meeting of the board of Trustees of the Brigham [Young] Academy. The meeting was held in Jesse Knights office. It was found when the reports were submitted that [there was] a deficit of over eleven thousand dollars. After some discussion it was decided to ask the Board of Education to help us out.

Thursday, July 2, 1903 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and George Teasdale, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. and John Smith, George F. Gibbs and myself met in Council in the Temple. We are to build a Hospital to cost about one hundred thousand dollars. We are trying to get the control of the Street Railway system. We will run Saltair even if it looses money and maintain the Temperance rule.

Saturday, July 4, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Josephine and two of our children and I drove out to Taylorsville where the people celebrated our natal day. I spoke for about 40 minutes.

Wednesday, July 15, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I have paid to the family of my Bro. Charles W. this Month \$20.00 and George has paid her \$5.00. He has paid to help Winslow and Nicholas \$10.00 and I have sent them \$125 this month.

Thursday, July 16, 1903 - Salt Lake City

In the afternoon Presidents Smith, Winder, Reed Smoot and I talked over the proposition of A. W. McCune to sell the street Railroad and we decided to do it.

[Went to Colorado for conference and Mexican Colonization and Agricultural Company business, July 17-22.]

Thursday, July 23, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was taken down with Lumbago.

Friday, July 24, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was to have spoken today at the Pioneer gathering at Provo but I was so lame I could not get up out of bed.

Monday, July 27, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I am but little changed. Am doing a little reading.

Wednesday, July 29, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I am a little Improved. Bro. George Teasdale and A. O. Woodruff Called upon me and administered to me.

Saturday, Aug. 1, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I spend my time reading being to lame to work or write.

Sunday, Aug. 2, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Ward Fast Meeting. It was quite peculiar in the character of the people who spoke, two non Residence and one of them a crazy woman.

Sunday, Aug. 9, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I attended the laying of the Corner Stone of the orthodox Jewish synagogue, Isadore Morris performing that duty. President Joseph F. Smith, Senator S. Bamberger, L. Cohen, Rabbi Reynolds and I spoke.

In company with President Joseph F. Smith and Patriarch John Smith I attended the Laying of the Corner Stone of the 33rd Ward Meeting house, President Smith doing the work. President Smith, Angus M. Cannon, C. W. Penrose, Joseph E. Taylor, Myself and the Bishop spoke.

Wednesday, Aug. 12, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Directors Meeting of the Utah National Bank, Home Fire Insurance Co. and the Y.M.M.I.A. board. I paid my asesment of \$750.00 against my stock.

[Went to Seattle, Washington, with wife Sarah and a large group to Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress meetings, August 1-25.]

Thursday, Aug. 27, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Heber J. Grant is released to return home. Horace Ensign will preside in Japan.

Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office part of the day. I borrowed of the Utah National Bank \$2,000.00 and gave as security 25 Shares Home Dramatic Stock, 10 shares Home fire and seven shares of H. J. Grant & Co.

Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I bot ten shares of Sugar City stock and Ten shares of Fremont Co. Sugar Co. stock.

Wednesday, Sept. 9, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Directors meetings of the Utah Sugar Co., the Utah National Bank, the Home Fire Insurance Co. & Heber J. Grant & Co. I also met with the Y.M.M.I.A. board. I paid the Coop. Furniture Co. a bill \$31.05. \$20.00 in Tithing for Josephine.

Friday, Sept. 18, 1903 - Ogden

I was at the [Irrigation] Congress all day. A series of Resolutions were passed after much hot debate. I passed out two hundred Railway tickets for the Excursion to Logan. About 8 p.m. the Congress adjourned sign a die.

I am 55 years old today.

Saturday, Sept. 19, 1903 - Logan and Ogden

About five hundred people went on the Excursion to Logan, who received them and treated them most Royally. We had a carriage ride and Banquet. It was a grand affair. We returned to our Cars at 4 p.m. and moved out for home. At Cache Junction we picked up a man that had been Crushed by Coal Cars. He died on the train. \$229.00 was collected on the train for his family.

Tuesday, Sept. 22, 1903 - Salt Lake City and Provo

In the evening I went to Provo and met with the Directors of the Brigham Young Academy. Much talk was made over making it over into a university. The heirs are to be consulted in regard to the matter.

Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Word has been received that Heber J. Grant has arived at Victoria, British Columbia. Their is some Political Work going. I had a reporter Call to see me. I did not tell him who I favored for Mayor.

Thursday, Sept. 24, 1903 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and Myself, George Teasdale, John W. Taylor, Abraham O. Woodruff, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith and Patriarch John Smith met in the Temple.

We cleared up current business and made reports. We decided to buy the Browning Property at Carthage, Hancock Co., Ill. where the Prophet and Patriarch were killed. \$4,000.00 will be paid for it.

Saturday, Sept. 26, 1903 - Salt Lake City

The Political fever is running high.

Tuesday, Sept. 29, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I had a long talk with Senator Thomas Kearns, Perry Heath and Mr. Butler and Mr. Kelly of the Telegram. We talked over the Political situation. They gave me their views of their side of present condition.

Wednesday, Sept. 30, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I had a talk with G. T. Odell over his campaign for Mayor.

The Church board of Education met and with them some [of] the board and Teachers of the Brigham Young Academy. The changing of the name of the Brigham Young Academy to the Brigham Young University was considered and the board left to act as it thought proper.

Sunday, Oct. 4, 1903 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

President Jos. F. Smith said to me tonight that the mind of the spirit was that my son George Albert should fill the vacancy in the Apostles. I told him was it a political office I would advise against it but I could not stand in the way of the suggestions of the spirit to him.

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 1903 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

Prest. Brigham H. Roberts spoke on the theory of some Philosophers that Joseph Smith was an eplectic and this accounted for his visions. Bro. Roberts said eplepsy never Inspired a man to give to the world the most complete system the world has ever known.

President Joseph F. Smith said Joseph the Prophet was no epleptic as the thousands that knew him can testify.

All of the First Presidency and Patriarch and of the apostles Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot and Hyrum M. Smith met in Council in the Presidents office.

President Joseph F. Smith said the mind of the spirit to him was that George A. Smith fill the vacancy in the Council of the Apostles. It was sustained unanimously, all speaking their minds.

At 2 p.m. the Conference convened.

President Joseph F. Smith presented the General Authorities. Francis M. Lyman was sustained as President of the Twelve, George A. Smith as one of the 12 caused by the death of Brigham Young. Heber J. Grant to go to England to preside over the European Mission.

Thursday, Oct. 8, 1903 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the first presidency and Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Matthias F. Cowley, Abraham O. Woodruff, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, and George A. Smith of the Twelve, Patriarch John Smith and Secretary George F. Gibbs met in the Temple.

President Joseph F. Smith was mouth in ordaining George A. Smith a high Priest and an Apostle. All present but George F. Gibbs had their hands upon his head. I accepted the fact that President J. F. Smith was mouth as an answer to my wish unexpressed in words.

Reports were made and an appointment made for tomorrow to hear Heber J. Grants report of his Mission to Japan.

The Presidency withdrew and the Apostles gave a charge to George A. Smith and he responded in an acceptance of their good feeling.

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Matters Political are running high.

Friday, Oct. 16, 1903 - Salt Lake City

The entire day was spent in attending the Directors meetings of the Utah Sugar Co., The Idaho Sugar Co. and the Sugar City Co. We are going to be late starting up the Garland and Idaho factories.

We arranged to borrow or decided to do so \$200,000.00. We decided to sell the ballance of The Idaho factory stock.

Friday, Oct. 23, 1903 - Provo

President Joseph F. Smith and I went to [Provo] and attended a meeting of the Brigham Young Academy board, also the stockholders of the academy and by vote of the stock the name was changed to the Brigham Young university.

It is not founders day anniversary but it is being celebrated and the students marched through the streets calling at their old homes. Services were held in College hall and singing and speeches were offered, Prest. Joseph F. Smith and myself and others taking part.

The school was founded 28 years ago the 16th of this month.

Monday, Oct. 26, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I returned home and found all well. I was at the office part of the day. It was agreed by J. F. Smith, John R. Winder, A. H. Lund, Myself, H. J. Grant, M. F. Cowley & George A. Smith to take 20 per cent for an old note of Elias A. Smith.

Thursday, Oct. 29, 1903 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and Myself, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, Matthias F. Cowley, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum and George A. Smith of the Twelve met in the Room of the presidency in the Temple. The political situation was talked over. Bro. Reed Smoot is going east in a few days.

Josephine is getting part of her outfit moved into her house.

Monday, Nov. 2, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the Presidency of the church most of the day. Josephine is moved into part of her house. It is a very nice place.

Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1903 - Salt Lake City

The City election is on today. I voted for R. P. Morris for Mayor today. He is a Democrat.

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Richard P. Morris was elected Mayor, a majority of the City Council are Republicans.

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Word was received to night a writ had been issued to arrest Heber J. Grant before he leaves for his mission. He left tonight.

Thursday, Nov. 12, 1903 - Salt Lake City

Myself, Wife Sarah F. and Son George A. Went to Ogden and attended the funeral of Aaron F. Farr in the Tabernacle there. The speakers were Joseph Parry, Moses Thatcher, Myself, Hyrum M., John and George Albert Smith.

Friday, Nov. 13, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office most of the day. President Joseph F. Smith is 65 years old today. He had his family together this evening at the Beehive house. They were a nice Picture. About ten p.m. I was requested to go to the Presidents office in company with President Anthon H. Lund. We found President Joseph F. Smith there and learned he had just received word that a warrant had been Issued for his arrest. We talked over the Matter and concluded to await Developments.

Thursday, Nov. 19, 1903 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency, Myself, George Teasdale, Matthias F. Cowley, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. and George A. Smith and Patriarch John Smith and G. F. Gibbs [met]. We talked over the situation at Washington as also the reports of Plural Marriages. Prest. Jos. F. Smith spoke to us to say he did not endorse any sealing or marrying in plurality.¹⁶

At 7:30 p.m. I attended a lecture by Miss Babcock at John A. Groesbecks home on Egyptian and Greek history.

Sunday, Nov. 29, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I went out to the Granite Stake Conference held in their new House.

¹⁶Despite his statement here, Joseph F. Smith was not opposed to new plural marriages. For evidence of his active involvement in post-Manifesto polygamy, see Quinn, "New Plural Marriages," 82-103.

All of the First Presidency, Hyrum M. Smith, A. O. Woodruff and Myself with other leading men were present.

I rode home in bro. LeRoy Snows automobile. Lorin Farr was at my home.

Monday, Nov. 30, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office during the afternoon. Senator Reed Smoot came in and we had a talk over the condition of affairs at Washington.

Tuesday, Dec. 1, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office during the morning hour. Reed Smoot came in and some more talk was had over the situation in Washington.

Thursday, Dec. 3, 1903 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the First Presidency and myself met with Gov. Heber M. Wells and Gen. Chas. S. Burton and talked over the [Scofield mine] strike matter.

All of the First Presidency, John Smith, George A. Smith, Hyrum M. Smith, Reed Smoot, Rudger Clawson, Abraham O. Woodruff and I met in Council at 10 a.m.

Minutes were read. All present reported on their labors. The question of the jurisdiction of officers was discussed at some length. Reed Smoot is thinking of employing W. H. Dickson as his attorney in his case before the Senate of the United States.

Monday, Dec. 7, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I sold one hundred shares of Utah Sugar Co. Common stock for three hundred and fifty dollars and paid \$275.00 for myself and \$25.00 for Sarah F. and \$50.00 for Josephine G. I attended the funeral of Orson Pratt Jr. There was no singing or prayer. Parley L. Williams spoke for about fifteen minutes on his good qualities as a man.

Tuesday, Dec. 8, 1903 - Pocatello and Idaho Falls, Idaho

Governor Morrison, Secretary of State Gibson, Attorney General John A. Bagley, Superintendent of Public Schools Miss Scott of Idaho joined our party here and went with us to the Sugar Works. There are thirty six Thousand Tons of Beets to work up and we are turning out about 1,200 sacks of Sugar a day. The Machinery is running very stiff but will soon be going all right. We went to Sugar City and laid the corner stone for a new sugar Factory.

Manager Thomas R. Cutler called the crowd together and named Governor Morrison for Chairman. He made some nice remarks.

President A. H. Lund offered the Dedicatory Prayer. President Jos. F. Smith laid the Corner Stone just as the sun was going down and made some appropriate remarks.

The band played. About Two thousand people were present.
It was a great day and forbodes good to Idaho.

Wednesday, Dec. 9, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Utah National Bank, Heber J. Grant & Co., Home Fire Insurance Co., the Los Angeles R.R., the Saltair Beach Co., the Y.M.M.I.A. board and the joint young peoples board. It was a most busy day. I was very tired at night.

Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1903 - Provo

I went to Provo and attended the board meeting of the Brigham Young University. The resignation of Prest. B. Cluff Jr. was received and George H. Brimhall was appointed as Temporary President of the Faculty.

Friday, Dec. 18, 1903 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Utah Mexican Rubber Co. met and talked over the question of buying a ranch in Tabasco of 60 thousand acres of land. B. F. Grant, W. S. McCornick and Moses Thatcher appointed a committee to examine into the matter.

Sunday, Dec. 20, 1903 - Lehi

I went to Lehi to day and joined George Teasdale. We agreed to devide Lehi City into four wards, provided the people were in favor of it, Bp. T. R. Cutler having tendered his resignation. We held a Priesthood [meeting] in the opera house. It was voted to accept the resignation of Bp. T. R. Cutler and that our blessing go with him. We voted to divide the City into four Wards.

Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office all day with the Presidency and Reed Smoot and Franklin S. Richards. We agreed that Reed should employ as help in his case at Washington Worthington, Waldemar Van Cott and W. E. Borah of Boise Idaho and as silent Council F. S. Richards.

Friday, Dec. 25, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day at my homes with my children. I ate Christmas dinner with Aunt Sarah F. We had a nice Turkey dinner.

Saturday, Dec. 26, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office all day in company with the Presidency and Reed Smoot talking over his affairs and arranging for his contest. He employed W. E. Borah, Waldemar Van Cott and Mr. Worthington as his attorneys.

Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I baptised my daughter Arzella Smith at the Tabernacle today. She was born on Nov. 9th, 1895.

The Directors of the Utah Mexican Rubber Co. met today and declared a dividend of 100 per cent. They also decided to buy 65 thousand acres of land in the state of Tabasco in the Republic of Mexico provided the Titles are all straight and right.

It was agreed to pay me fifty dollars a month as president of the Co.

Thursday, Dec. 31, 1903 - Salt Lake City

I went with both of my wives out to the Granite Stake house to a Banquet. We had a great time. All went as merry as a Marriage Bell.

I have paid Tithing	552.00
" " " for Winslow	450.00
" " " Nicholas	250.00
" " " Esther M. S.	300.00
" " " Fast offering	50.00
" " " Sundries	100.00
" " " St. Louis & [?]	250.00
" " " Irrigation Com.	100.00
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Tithing	
Josephine	101.00
Sarah F.	30.00
Nathaniel	10.00
Joseph	2.00
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	2,195.00
Meeting house	40.00
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	2,235.00
Taxes and Water Rates	690.60
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	2,925.60

The year has been fairly prosperous for me and the general health of my family has been fair. Two of my sons are on Missions and doing nicely. We have built Josephine a house out of her own money at a cost of nearly \$8,000.00. I am gratefull to the Lord for his goodness to me and mine. My son George A. & Wife took a trip to Europe. He has been elevated to the Apostleship.

[Went to Colorado for conference at Manassa and meeting of Mexican Colonization and Agricultural Company, July 14-17. Reelected president.]

Thursday, July 20, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I went out to Saltair Beach with my wife Sarah and son Winslow and daughter Clair. I had a bath and we had lunch.

Friday, July 21, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the Presidents office. I took my wife Josephine and the children out to the Saltair beach and we all had a bath.

Monday, July 24, 1905 - Heber City

58 years ago today the Pioneer band entered these vallies.

A nice procession was formed of floats and carriages and horse men & women. It was a nice sight. I rode in the carriage with President Wm. H. Smart and his Councillors and Patriarch Abraham Hatch.

We went to the Stake House. Oration by Edward Clyde. S. B. Young and I spoke. Several exercises were given. We had a good day.

Friday, Aug. 11, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I bot 78 shares of Idaho Sugar Co. Stock. W. B. Dougall and myself went by train to Richmond, Cache Co. We put up at the home of Elder M. W. Merrill. He is still in very [poor?] health.

[Went to Portland, Oregon, for meeting of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress. Took daughters Tirzah Priscilla and Elizabeth. Followed with visits to the Lewis and Clark Fair and the Irrigation Congress.]

Thursday, Aug. 24, 1905 - Portland, Oregon

It was Utah day and speaches were made by Governor Chamberlain of Oregon, President Goode of the Lewis & Clark Fair, Gov. John C. Cutler of Utah and Congressman Howell of Utah. A grand feed folowed with the Punch bowl and eatables. I[t] was said to surpass all other days at the fair except Oregons.

In the evening the fair Commission gave Governor John C. Cutler and staff a banquet at the New York building. I was of the party. Speaches were made by President Goode and Governor John C. Cutler. After dinner we went in boats to witness the sham Naval Battle of Manila Bay. It was very realistic and quite exciting. To day has been a great day. I am very tired tonight.

Friday, Aug. 25, 1905 - Portland, Oregon

It was Logan day at the Fair. Professor Linford, J. W. Kerr, Congressman Joseph Howell and I spoke. We had cake and Ice cream and wine.

Friday, Sept. 1, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the office of the First Presidency. I bot six shares of Con. W. & M. Co stock, paid six hundred dollars for it.

Friday, Sept. 8, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I went out to Saltair with Simon Ewing Smith and Sylvester Alonso Smith. The Former from St. Augustine, Florida, the latter from Council Grove, Kansas. The first named is 99 years in October and is the oldest of 12 children, 8 sons and 4 daughters. The other is 61 years old and the youngest of the 12. His mother was 58 years old when he was born. They had dinner with me and at 4:10 p.m. Seymour B. Young and me went by train to Richmond, Cache County. We stoped over night at M. W. Merrill. He has not changed very much since I saw him a month ago.

Sunday, Sept. 10, 1905 - Salt Lake City

My son George Alberts wife gave birth to a son this morning.

Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I attended the meeting of the Directors of the Utah National Bank, Heber J. Grant & Co., the Home Fire Insurance Co. & the Y.M.M.I.A. board. I met with the Weber River Canal and Reservoir Co.

Monday, Sept. 18, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I am 57 years old today. The Directors of the Utah Mexican Rubber Co. met to day and they agreed to sell one thousand acres of Rubber Land at \$200.00 per acre.

Friday, Sept. 22, 1905 - Salt Lake City

The Utah Mexican Rubber Co. Loaned \$20,000.00 to the Con. W. & M. Co. to day for six months at 5 percent per annum.

Friday, Sept. 29, 1905 - Salt Lake City

It rained all night and most of the day. I spent three hours and had a nice dinner at Patriarch John Smith. His guests were Joseph Smith of the Reorganized church, his wife and three small children. His son and Counsellor Fredrick M. Smith and wife and daughter Mrs. Susan Nichols, Alvin Smith and wife and myself.

We had a very pleasant visit.

Sunday, Oct. 1, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I attended the fast meeting in the Temple at 10 a.m.

Prayer by George Albert Smith. The speakers were John R. Winder, Rudger Clawson, Angus M. Cannon, W. B. Preston, Mrs. Bathsheba W. Smith, May Booth Talmage, Francis M. Lyman, Hyrum M. Smith, Mrs. M. F. Cowley, Prest. Jos. F. Smith, Sarah Nibley, Romania B. Penrose,

Rachael Grant, Edna K. Smith, Joseph Christianssen, Mary Jane Davis, George M. Cannon, Calvin C. Smith, Henry W. Nesbit and C. W. Penrose bore Testamony and spoke.

Friday, Oct. 6, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I was up most of the night with my sick Sister Emma Pearl Smith who died this morning at 6:45 a.m. from acute pneumonia.

The Semi Annual Conference convened in the tabernacle at 10 a.m. President Joseph F. Smith presiding.

President Joseph Smith and his son Frederick M. of the Reorganized Church were in attendance upon the conference all day.

The spirit of the Conference today was of the very best.

Saturday, Oct. 7, 1905 - Salt Lake City

At 4 p.m. the Funeral of my sister Emma Pearl Smith took place at her mothers home. Bp. Walter J. Beatty presiding. Prayer by Prest. Ben E. Rich. Jesse N. Smith, W. J. Beatty, Francis M. Lyman and Joseph F. Smith were the speakers. Benediction by Silas S. Smith. At the grave we had singing and George Albert Smith Dedicated the grave. Peace to the ashes of my invalid sister, and all respect and honor to her Mother Susan E. Smith who was most devoted to her in her sufferings of 34 years.

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I attended Directors [meetings] of the Idaho Sugar Co. and the Independent Telephone Co. I received a letter from my Wife Sarah Farr. She is not well and is undergoing treatment for her face that has some kind of a breaking out on it.

I wrote to her and sought to comfort her.

Thursday, Oct. 19, 1905 - Salt Lake City

At 9 a.m. all of the First Presidency and Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith, Charles W. Penrose, Patriarch John Smith and Secretary George F. Gibbs, Franklin S. Richards and Brigham H. Roberts met in the Temple and heard reports and some statements by Bro. Roberts on his finding in some Papers [he] had been examining.

At 3 p.m. all of the Presidency and the Apostles at home met in the office of the Presidency and after much talk agreed that every fellow should take his own course politically.

Friday, Oct. 20, 1905 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and Twelve in the City met in the Temple and discussed the situation at Washington and the position in which

the absent brethren had placed themselves by their acts.⁴

I married my wife [Sarah] 39 years ago to day. I wrote to her at Chicago, Illinois.

Josephine, myself and our daughter Arzella went to the Emma Eames Tabernacle concert.

Monday, Oct. 23, 1905 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the Twelve present in the City met in the Temple and spent the day going over business. Prayer by Rudger Clawson. All present expressed their views of the situation.

My son Nicholas told to night that he had offered his hand I[n] marriage to Miss Florance Gay and it has been accepted.

Thursday, Oct. 26, 1905 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and Nine of the 12 met in the Temple and went through Routine business.

My wife Sarah Farr who has been on a visit to Chicago in company with her Father returned home today.

Saturday, Oct. 28, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I met Jerry Langford and two other gentlemen and talked over some Improvements at Saltair Beach.

I met with the First Presidency and 7 of the Twelve at the Church offices. Later we met 2 more of the Twelve and were to gether along time and had a very serious visit.

Tuesday, Oct. 31, 1905 - Salt Lake City

Hyrum M. Smith, Jerry Langford, Two California gentlemen and Myself went out to Saltair to look over the ground to figure out a place for building some amusements.

Wednesday, Nov. 1, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I called upon Mrs. Jennie B. Whipple at the Grove hospital. She put in my hands a draft on the Commercial National Bank for \$938.50. I am to care for this matter. I attended the meeting of the Y.M.M.I.A. at 5 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 2, 1905 - Salt Lake City

All of the Twelve in the City met at 9:30 a.m. and talked over the matter between them and J. W. Taylor and M. F. Cowley. At 10 a.m. the Presidency and John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs came in.

⁴The "absent brethren" were apostles Taylor and Cowley, who continued to refuse to testify in the Smoot hearings.

Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I voted to day a straight Republican Ticket. The American Party carried this City by about 500 hundred majority.⁵

Wednesday, Nov. 8, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office part of the day. Their is some sore hearts over the result of the election.

Thursday, Nov. 9, 1905 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and Myself, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith and Brigham H. Roberts met and read a Document on the question of the one spoken of in Section 85 of the D&C.⁶

Friday, Nov. 10, 1905 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. at the office of the First Presidency the following named brethren met in Council: Joseph F. Smith, John R. Winder, Anthon H. Lund of the First Presidency, Myself, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. and George Albert Smith and C. W. Penrose of the Twelve, Seymour B. Young, Brigham H. Roberts, George Reynolds, J. Golden Kimball, Rulon S. Wells, and Joseph W. McMurrin of the Seven Presidents, Patriarch John Smith, and William B. Preston and Robert T. Burton of the Presiding Bishopric. It was decided to publish a Document on the question of the one mighty and strong spoken of in the D.&C.

At 2 p.m. all of the Presidency, myself, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith, C. W. Penrose, B. H. Roberts, Franklin S. Richards met at the office and talked over Reed Smoots speach in Congress.

Saturday, Nov. 11, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I paid Taxes for Josephine	\$494.00
For myself	220.40

Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1905 - Salt Lake City

At 10:30 a.m. all of the First Presidency and myself, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith and C. W. Penrose met at the

⁵The American Party was a coalition party in Salt Lake City made up largely of non-Mormon former Liberal party members and others opposed to Mormon influence in politics.

⁶According to Mormon scripture: "And it shall come to pass that I, the Lord God, will send one mighty and strong, holding the scepter of power in his hand, clothed with light for a covering, whose mouth shall utter words, eternal words; while his bowels shall be a fountain of truth to set in order the house of God, and to arrange by lot the inheritances of the saints whose names are found, and the names of their fathers, and of their children, enrolled in the book of the law of God;

⁶"While that man, who was called of God and appointed, that putteth forth his hand to steady the ark of God, shall fall by the shaft of death, like as a tree that is smitten by the vivid shaft of lightning" (Doctrine and Covenants 85:7, 8).

office, read the speech of Senator Thomas Kearns and discussed it. It is a very vicious attack on the church.

Thursday, Nov. 16, 1905 - Salt Lake City

Prest. A. H. Lund and [I] went to the LDS Hospital and administered to C. D. Fjeldsted who is there sick. I delivered my note for \$938.50 dated Nov. 1st and six shares of preferred stock of the Con. W. & M. Co. to Mrs. Jennie B. Whipple.

Friday, Nov. 17, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I borrowed from the Deseret Savings bank \$2,500.00 & gave 275 shares Idaho Sugar Stock.

Monday, Nov. 20, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I was poorly all day. I was at the Office of the Presidency a short time. Ferdinand Hintzie was set apart to a mission to New York City to look after the printing of the Book of Mormon in the Turkish language.

Friday, Nov. 24, 1905 - Salt Lake City

At 10:30 a.m. I attended a meeting of the Directors of the Independent Telephone Co. After much talk we voted to pay a dividend of 4 per cent quarterly next year.

Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1905 - Salt Lake City

I am to go to the Big Horn Country. B. H. Roberts to go with me.

At 10 p.m. I went to the Railway station and went to bed. At 11:45 p.m. we left for the north, B. H. Roberts having come into the car and gone to bed also.

Saturday, Dec. 2, 1905 - Toluca, Montana

No train. We telegraphed we would come today but did not.

Sunday, Dec. 3, 1905 - Toluca, Montana

Finding we could not reach the conference at Cowley we took train for home.

Friday, Dec. 15, 1905 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. I attended the Dedication services of the new Home for the Nurses at the Groves Latter Day Saints Hospital. The Hospital has cost \$220,000.00. The Church of Jesus Christ paid \$150,000.00 Dr. W. H. Groves \$50,000.00, the balance by sundry persons. Dedicatory Prayer by Prest. John R. Winder. Speakers were Dr. Jos. S. Richards, Anthon H. Lund, Gov. John C. Cutler, Bp. Robert T. Burton. The new Home cost \$18,000.00.

Monday, Dec. 18, 1905 - Salt Lake City

At 7 a.m. in the Pullman Car Sofala the following party left for Sharon Vt.: Prest. Jos. F. Smith and his children Hyrum M. [and] Jos. F.

Smith Jr., Ida, wife of Hyrum, daughter Ina. Patriarch John Smith, Anthon H. Lund, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, George Albert Smith, Elias A. & Jesse M. and Edith A. Smith, C. W. Penrose, L. W. Shurtliff, Lorin Farr, A. M. Cannon, George Romney, Rulon S. Wells, John McDonald, B. F. Grant, B. F. Goddard, Ashby Snow, George H. Richards and Wife and child Oliver, Mrs. Susa Young Gates, S. B. Young, Frank Y. Taylor, Arthur Winter. The day was [spent in] reading and playing games.

Thursday, Dec. 21, 1905 - Syracuse, New York

We had breakfast on the train. We traveled up the Mohawk River and crossed the Hudson River and reached the White River Junction. We stopped over night.

Friday, Dec. 22, 1905 - White River Junction, Vermont

We went to South Royalton and hired sleighs and drove some six miles to Tunbridge, Vt., the old home of Asael Smith. We saw some of the old Records of town meetings at some of which our ancestor had been moderator. My grand Father John Smith obtained his majority here. A number of friends met us here from New York City.

We had a nice meeting [in] the Hall of the Hotel.

Saturday, Dec. 23, 1905 - South Royalton, Vermont

It is snowing. The Prophet Joseph Smith is one hundred years old today.

Our party and Many Visitors were driven to the old Mack Farm in Sharon Township, Windsor Co., Vt. where the Patriarch Joseph Smith lived and where Joseph Smith the Prophet was born December 23rd, 1805.

At 11 a.m. services were held in the Cottage owing to the storm. Singing America. Prayer by A. H. Lund, Councillor. Singing Page 166 We Thank Thee Oh God for a Prophet. Elder Junius Wells made his report of the Work done. Singing by R. C. East. Francis M. Lyman, Dr. Edgar Fish & Myself spoke. Singing by Emma Lucy Gates. Hyrum M. Smith, Jesse M. Smith and Charles W. Penrose spoke. President Joseph F. Smith offered the Dedicatory Prayer.

Singing by Choir. Benediction by George Albert Smith. On the Poarch of the house the Star Spangled Banner was sung. Some Pictures were taken.

A splendid Lunch was served in the basement. Fully five hundred people must have been present. The Utah party had a love feast at the close and presented to President Joseph F. Smith an Elegant fob and chain. Some nice speeches were made. The hearth of the old Smith home is in the Center of the Cottage.

The monument wont cost less than \$25,000.00. It is of gray granite polished and about 53 feet high.

We returned to South Royalton at 7:30 p.m. Services were held in the Hotel hall.

Sunday, Dec. 24, 1905 - South Royalton, Vermont, and Boston

At 5 a.m. we left for Boston, Mass., where we arrived at 11 a.m.

At 2 p.m. we went to church.

Monday, Dec. 25, 1905 - Boston

We paid our bill and went by Rail out to the Home of Mr. Frank P. Bennett. We took Autos and went to Topsfield, Essex, Mass. and visited the grave of Robt. and the 1st and second Samuel and the old home of Asael Smith in Topesfield. We then drove to the Home of Robert Smith at Boxford. Our party consisted [of] Joseph F. Smith Sr., Hyrum M. and Joseph F. Smith Jr., Ina, Myself and son George Albert, Elias A., Jesse M. and Edith Smith and Mr. F. P. Bennett & Son. We rode in Autos about 40 miles.

We returned to the home of the Bennetts and had an elegant dinner, after which we returned to Boston, having rode on the cars about 16 miles.

It was a most agreeable day. The day was among the most pleasing in my life.

We left for Palmyra N. York State about 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1905 - Palmyra, New York

We reached here about 9 a.m. and took carriages and drove to the old farm of Joseph Smith Sr., Manchester, now owned by a Mr. Chapman. It is a frame house and with slight additions remains the same. We drank out of the old well.

We visited the grove where it is said Joseph the Prophet saw the Vision of the Father & the Son. A hymn was sung.

We drove to the Hill Cumorah and there President Joseph F. Smith made a magnificent Prayer.

We drove to the cemetery and saw the grave of Mr. I. H. Gilbert who set the type of the First Book of Mormon. We saw one of the early copies and also the press on which the Book of Mormon was printed. We had supper at the Powers Hotel.

We left for Cleveland, Ohio a[t] 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1905 - Cleveland, Ohio

We reached here at 7 a.m. and breakfasted at the Nickel Plate station. We chartered a car and drove [to] Willoughby, took teams and went to Kirtland, Ohio. Visited the Temple owned by the Reorganized Church. It is three stories high and a Basement. The first and second floor consists of one room each and a Lobby. The Melchizedek and Aaronic stands remain perfect.

The Temple is 59 feet wide, 79 feet long. Their are five rooms in the upper story. The Building is in a good state of preservation. We saw the home of Patriarch Hyrum Smith. On our return to the City of Cleveland we visited the Lake View Cemetery and went into the Garfield monument.

[Spent two days in Chicago, visiting automobile, carriage, and farm machinery plants.]

Sunday, Dec. 31, 1905 - on train in Colorado

On train I was attacked by Lumbago very severely here.

The day was spent in reading, singing, and Prayer. Meeting was held.

We have traveled on this trip 5,650 miles and have held 9 meetings. I have traveled during this year 1905, 30,199 miles.

Monday, Jan. 1, 1906 - Evanston, Wyoming, to Salt Lake City

We reached our homes in Salt Lake City about 12 noon. I am myself so lame with Lumbago I can scarcely walk. Our trip [was] a splendid one and all have returned happy. My family are all well.

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was confined to the house all day with my lame back. I was at Josephines.

Friday, Jan. 5, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon at the office of the First Presidency.

At 2:30 p.m. I met with the board of Directors of the Utah Mexican Rubber Co. Reports were received, read and filed. We now own our ranch, and everything seems to be prospering.

My son Nicholas G. Smith baptized my daughter Josephine today at the Tabernacle. She was 8 years old on the 3rd.

Monday, Jan. 8, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Utah Independent Telephone Co.

We declared a one per cent dividend payable Jany. 15th.

Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Saltair Beach Co. at 10:30 a.m., also with the Salt Lake and Los Angeles R.R. Co.

The stock holders also met and elected the old boards for the ensuing year.

Wednesday, Jan. 10, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Utah National Bank, The Utah Sugar Co., the Idaho Western Sugar Co., The Home Fire Insurance Co., H. J. Grant & Co. and with the Y.M.M.I.A. board. It was a busy day.

Tuesday, Jan. 16, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the Presidency during the morning hour. The Tribune says that Prof. Wolf says that I told him the Woodruff Manifesto was only designed [to] blind the Government. The statement was false.

I received an Independent Tele. Co. check for \$300.00.

Wednesday, Jan. 24, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the Presidency all day. William Spry has received the appointment of U.S. Marshall from Prest. Theodore Roosevelt.

I wrote to W. E. Smythe of San Diego, California about Walter M. Wolfe. Elmer B. Jones says Wolfe is a scrub of the first waters.

I have received an appointment as Delegate to the Seeing America First convention by the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress.

Thursday, Jan. 25, 1906 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the First Presidency, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith, Charles W. Penrose and Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs [met]. Prayer by George Albert Smith. Mouth at the Altar Anthon H. Lund.

Minutes read and approved. The Routine business was gone through with. A. H. Lund is to go to Washington as also Franklin S. Richards. I may follow.

I met with the Directors of the Con. W. & M. Co. Directors.

I gave Bp. George Romney my appointment to the Seeing America First Congress.

Tuesday, Jan. 30, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I am to go to Washington, D.C. and my wife Sarah F. will go with me on account of my health.

The First Presidency blest me, Prest. Jos. F. Smith being mouth.

At 8 p.m. I left for the East. I took five hundred dollars.

Sunday, Feb. 4, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I was at the Hotel most of the day. I met F. S. Richards and had some talk with him. I wrote a note to Prest. Theo. Roosevelt asking to see him.

Monday, Feb. 5, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I spent the forenoon at Reed Smoots office.

I returned to the Hotel at 12:30 p.m. and learned that the President would see me at 12 noon but I went anyhow and the President Received me and my wife very warmly and we had a nice hand shake.

The evening was spent at Senator Reed Smoots rooms at the High-

lands Hotel. Myself, Reed Smoot, Ed Loose, George Sutherland, James H. Anderson and F. S. Richards present.

The opinion was that I better keep very mum and not attend the meetings of the Committee on Privileges & Elections.

Tuesday, Feb. 6, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

Sarah and I went out to the Zoo and had a pleasant time looking at the birds, snakes and anamals. I was at Reed Smoots home with Richard W. Young in the evening and talked over the situation.

Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I was In attendance at the Senate today. Thomas Patterson of Colorado and [Joseph W.] Bailey of Texas had a hot tilt over the rights of men in regard to party Caucuses. It was very interesting.

Bailey out classes Patterson but the latter was on the right side.

Bro. R. Smoot today learned of the death of Elder M. W. Merrill at his home in Richmond. Sarah was at the meeting of the Committee of Privileges & Elections.

Thursday, Feb. 8, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I was at Reed Smoots office all day. The Committee on Privileges and Elections have had Henry W. Lawrence, Prof. W. M. Wolfe, Holmgreen, Bill Thomas and Smurthwaite before them yesterday and to day. The later made a good impression. F. S. Richards, R. Smoot and myself met at A. S. Worthington.

Friday, Feb. 9, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

Senator [Philander C.] Knox did Smurthwaite up completely in the Committee [to]day.

Sunday, Feb. 11, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

Sarah and I had dinner at Bro. Jos. Howells.

Meeting was held in the evening. The Sacrament was administered. James H. Anderson, Richard W. Young, Reed Smoot and I spoke. About thirty persons were present. The spirit was good.

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I had interviews to day with Senators [Charles] Fulton, Oregon, [William P.] Dillingham of Vermont, [Charles Dick] of Ohio, H. M. Teller of Colorado. All like Reed Smoot.

Wednesday, Feb. 14, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I was at Reed Smoots office most of the day. I called upon Ex Senator [Charles J.] Faulkner of West Virginia and had a nice talk with him. He thinks we aut to drop J. W. Taylor and M. F. Cowley and J. M. Tanner

from their positions but not cast them out of the Church. He says this is the view of a number of the Senators.

Thursday, Feb. 15, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I met Senators Tom Carter of Montana, [Jacob] Gallinger of New Hampshire, Teller of Colorado. With the later two I had nice free conversations on the position of Reed Smoot. They feel that he will keep his seat.

Reed Smoot, F. S. Richards and myself met A. S. Worthington and talked over the situation. Ed. Loose left for home.

Saturday, Feb. 17, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I was at Reed Smoots office and in the Capitol building making calls.

Tuesday, Feb. 20, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I had breakfast with Vice President [Charles W.] Fairbanks. Two of his sons and a daughter in law was at table with us. Our meal consisted of Baked apples & cream, corn cake and butter, Hominy & Cream, Fried Eggs and French fried Potatoes and Coffee. I met Senators [Francis G.] Newlands of Nevada, C. M. Depew of N.Y. and Canute Nelson of Minnesota. The later is warmly attached to Reed Smoot.

Wednesday, Feb. 21, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I was invited by Vice President Fairbanks yesterday to breakfast with him today and the record made of that breakfast yesterday should be to day and the Invitation yesterday.

I was at the Senate Chamber and had a nice visit with Senator [Albert J.] Hopkins of Illinois. He said we should do something with our recalcitrant Elders.

Thursday, Feb. 22, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

My wife Sarah and I went down to Mount Vernon and looked over the objects of interest in and about the old home of Washington. His sacrophigas was decorated with flowers by the Mexican Delegation. I Bot two spoons. We Visited the old church at Alexandria, Va. in which General George Washington Worshipped and sat in his old pew.

Friday, Feb. 23, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

Sarah left at 5:40 p.m. for Chicago. I wrote a letter to Josephine.

Monday, Feb. 26, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I met Senator Henry E. Burnham of New Hampshire, a nice quiet gentleman.

Tuesday, Feb. 27, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I spent the entire day writing letters to my wives and children.

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I met President Theodore Roosevelt at his office and had a shake of his hand and He wished me well.

I met at the Capitol to day Congressman Cyrus A. Sullaway of N. H. He is 6 feet 6 inches high and weighs about three hundred pounds. He knew my Uncle H. C. Libbey and had talked with him of my mother a[nd] me.

Thursday, March 1, 1906 - Washington, D.C.

I called upon Congressman Cyrus A. Sullaway and he introduced me [to] the other Congressman from New Hampshire, [Frank D. Currier]. I had a nice chat with him.

R. Smoot had seen a letter written to Senator [Nathan B.] Scott of West Virginia Going for the Mormons in a most vicious shape. The writer was the husband of a neice of the Senator.

I left Washington at 5:40 p.m. for Chicago having paid my bills at the Hotel.

Friday, March 2, 1906 - Chicago

We reached Chicago at 4 p.m. and I went to the Home of Heber J. Sears and found my wife as well as the family well.

Wednesday, March 7, 1906 - Salt Lake City

Reached home 2 p.m. Found all well. I met the presidency. I attended the meeting of the Y.M.M.I.A. board. I have traveled on this trip 5,123 miles.

Thursday, March 8, 1906 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. I met in Council at the Temple. All of the First Presidency and F. M. Lyman, myself, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. and George Albert Smith, C. W. Penrose and Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs.

Routine business gone through with Benediction by A. H. Lund.

The apostles met and had a long talk over the situation of John W. Taylor, M. F. Cowley and J. M. Tanner. We came to the conclusion to suspend the[m] or rather to accept their resignation.

Friday, March 9, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was writing at home most of the day. Hyrum M. Smith and I went out to the Lake to see the big Basin being built at Saltair.

Saturday, March 10, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I met with Presidents Smith and Winder and Prest. B. W. Smith of the Relief Society and talked over some of the troubles in that organization.

Prest. John R. Winder was mouth in setting apart Bathsheba W. Smith to preside over the Temple Women Workers.

Sunday, March 11, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at home.

I had a talk with Prof. Wallace about my Daughter Elizabeths school work. I gave my daughter Elizabeth a watch for her punctual attendance at Sunday School. She has never failed to be on time in three years when in the City.

Tuesday, March 13, 1906 - Salt Lake City

We are in the midst of a blizzard. Wind, snow and Rain.

All of the First Presidency, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith and C. W. Penrose went through the annual reports. The Church has about Four Millions Worth of property.

The Interest on the stocks and bonds of the Church more than pays the Expenses of the Authoraties of the Church by about ten thousand dollars.

The report was very broad and full and was accepted.

Wednesday, March 14, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I received a request to day from Senator Reed Smoot not to go to Washington if I was subpoenaed but to send my affidavit. I sent him word I was laid up with Lumbago.

It snowed today. I attended the Directors meetings of the Utah National Bank, the Home Fire Insurance Co. and H. J. Grant & Co. I spent the evening at home.

Friday, March 16, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I spent the afternoon at home arranging letters and answering some. The cold weather makes my Rheumatism hurt me some.

Mrs. Agnes Jensen called on me, said she was in need. I gave her two dollars.

Sunday, March 18, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at Josephines all day reading and sleeping.

I made an affidafit that I was not able to go to Washington, D.C. I declaired that W. M. Wolfe had told a falsehood in regard to my utterances.

Tuesday, March 20, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I am out of sorts today with head ache and Rheumatism. The News Papers say subpoenas have been sent for me. I have not received it yet.

Monday, March 26, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Rubber Co. office a short time and signed some Papers.

I was at the Presidents office for a time. I had a short talk with the President over the situation at Washington, D.C.

Tuesday, March 27, 1906 - Salt Lake City

The report comes that the Witnesses for Reed Smoot have been gotten through with.

Saturday, March 31, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the First Presidency most of the day. Some consideration was given to wage matters. Rudger Clawson, John Wells and George F. Gibbs received a little increase.

Tuesday, April 3, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office part of the day. The Directors of the Utah Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. Last year was a bad one, although we agreed to pay the present years dividends. The white fly did great damage last year.

Wednesday, April 4, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Utah National Bank. We held our dividend in abeyance for a time.

At 11 a.m. Prest. Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith and Charles W. Penrose met in their Quarterly Conference.

At 4 p.m. all of the First Presidency and all of the Twelve in the City met in the office of the Presidency with the Auditing Committee and went through the reports of the condition of the finances. They are in good shape.

Thursday, April 5, 1906 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the First Presidency, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith, Charles W. Penrose, John Smith and George F. Gibbs met in Council.

Reports. Routine business. We administered the Sacrament and had a trying day.

[General conference began Friday, April 6.]

Sunday, April 8, 1906 - Salt Lake City

2 p.m. Prayer by Prest. Nephi Morris.

I spoke about 30 minutes reading from the 59 section of the Doctrine & Covenants. C. W. Penrose followed me for 40 minutes. Prest. Francis M. Lyman spoke and announced the death of Marriner W. Merrill and C. D. Fjeldsted and the Resignations of John W. Taylor and Matthias F. Cowley Oct. 28th, 1905.

566 George F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney and David O. McKay chose[n] to fill the vacancies in the Twelve. Charles F. Hart to fill the

Vacancy in the Seventy. Joseph F. Smith Jr. to fill the place in the Historian office made vacant by advancing O. F. Whitney.

Monday, April 9, 1906 - Salt Lake City

At 12:30 p.m. All of the First Presidency and Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith, Chas. W. Penrose, George F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney and David McKay, Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs.

The Seven Presidents of the Seventies, Seymour B. Young, Brigham H. Roberts, George Reynolds, J. Golden Kimball, Rulon S. Wells, Joseph W. McMurrin and Chas. I. Hart [met].

Prest. Joseph F. Smith was mouth in ordaining all of the brethren for the offices for which they had been chosen.

Tuesday, April 10, 1906 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Prest. Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith, Charles W. Penrose, George F. Richards and Orson F. Whitney of the Twelve, Ben E. Rich, Nephi Pratt, J. G. Duffin, A. W. Ivins, McCray and German E. Elsworth of the Presidents of the Missions met in the Apostles room of the Temple and talked over the resignations of the brethren John W. Taylor and Matthias F. Cowley. We were together over three hours and a half. All spoke and voted they were one in faith. At 2 p.m. several of the leading brethren met in the Annex to the Temple.

Forty Eight Elders were set apart for missions and Five sisters as mid Wives.

Thursday, April 12, 1906 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency met with Bro. A. W. Ivins on Mexican Matters. They agreed to pay the \$9,300.00 on the Moralos purchase in Sonora.

Saturday, April 14, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the First presidency part of the day.

I went out to Saltair and became convinced that our basin would be a comple[te] failure.

Monday, April 16, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Office of the Presidency during the forenoon. In the afternoon the Presidency, Jerry Langford and me went out to Saltair. After an examination we concluded to stop work on our Reservoir.

Wednesday, April 18, 1906 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. the Directors of the Idaho Sugar Co. [met]. Our reports showed that we had failed to make any money last year and could not legally pay any dividend this quarter.

The assessment for the Western Idaho Sugar Co. is to be collected.

Thursday, April 19, 1906 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith, Charles W. Penrose, George R. Richards, Orson F. Whitney and David O. McKay, Patriarch John Smith, Secretary George F. Gibbs met at 10 a.m. in Council at the Temple.

The brethren contributed \$10,000 ten thousand to the sufferers by the earthquake in California.

San Francisco, California is said to be ruined by Earthquakes and fire.

Friday, April 20, 1906 - Salt Lake City

President Jas. E. Robinson telegraph that all our people [in San Francisco] are safe but the home is burnt down.

The stock holders of the Idaho Sugar Co. met and accepted report of the manager and reelected the old board and passed by paying the dividend.

Friday, April 27, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents Office most of the day. Quite a number of leading brethren met and read some Papers drafted by B. H. Roberts and Franklin S. Richards on the Reed Smoot Case.

[Went with George Albert Smith to Rexburg, Idaho, for conference, April 28-May 1.]

Thursday, May 3, 1906 - Salt Lake City

Bathsheba W. Smith was 84 years old today. About one hundred sisters with a few brethren met at Sister Rebecca Mantle Little and celebrated the day. It was a most agreeable time.

Saturday, May 5, 1906 - Salt Lake City

The afternoon and evening was spent at the Beehive house. Forty years ago today President Joseph F. Smith married Julina Lamborn. About one hundred people were present and all sat down to a Magnificent spread. All enjoyed themselves singing, Dancing and Most happy conversation. We were together from 4 to 10 p.m.

Tuesday, May 8, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I heard a letter read from Reed Smoot. He thinks he will pull through all right.

[Went with George F. Richards to Woodruff for conference, May 11-13, then left with Anthon H. Lund for Canada, May 17.]

Tuesday, May 22, 1906 - Raymond, Alberta, Canada

The day was an interesting one. The forenoon was spent in driving among the farms, some of the beets are doing fine. I called upon my niece, brother Charles W. daughter Sophrona. She is the Wife [of] Ether Brimhall. She seems to be a poor housekeeper.

Friday, May 25, 1906 - Mountain View, Alberta, Canada

Prest. A. H. Lund attended a sociable in the evening. I did not go on account of my eyes which have been hurting me for two days and are inflamed and swollen and Rhumatism is torturing me in my hands and legs.

Monday, May 28, 1906 - Cardston, Alberta, Canada

Still raining. I am sick in bed, did not get out untill noon.

Thursday, May 31, 1906 - Salt Lake City

We reached home at 7:30 p.m. I found all well at home. I have traveled on this trip 1,756 miles and 129 of it in Buggies, the ballance by Railway and attended 22 meetings.

I have suffered intensely with sore eyes, Pleurisy in my left side, and Rhumatism over my entire body.

Canada looks prosperous.

Saturday, June 2, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at home in bed.

Dr. Joseph S. Richards called. He says I have LeGrippe.

Tuesday, June 5, 1906 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Joseph F. Smith telephoned me at 5:10 that he had just received a telegram from Snow Flake Arizona that President Jesse N. Smith had died there today at 3 p.m. The time of his funeral was not stated.

Thursday, June 7, 1906 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the First Presidency and Prest. Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Hyrum M. and George Albert Smith, Charles W. Penrose, George F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay, Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met in the Temple.

Routine business was gone through with the J. M. Tanner matter considered. No reports were made.

At 3 p.m. today I sealed Emily Whitney, daughter of Elder Orson F. Whitney and his wife Zina Smoot Whitney to my son Winslow Farr Smith at the Salt Lake Temple in the presence of a number of kinsfolk and friends. The Witnesses wre Elders Orson F. Whitney and George Albert Smith.

We had a most agreeable time at the home of Bp. O. F. Whitney receiving an army of Friends and relatives. Many presents of Various Kinds were made to them.

Friday, June 8, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office for a couple of hours this morning. By Telegraph from Reed Smoot we learn that the President and Cabinet will stand by him in his fight.

Saturday, June 9, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office during the morning hour.

President Anthon H. Lund and I had a talk with James M. Tanner over his affairs.

I went to Saltair with my wife Josephine to attend a Banquet of the Primary Associations and had a very pleasant time.

Saturday, June 16, 1906 - Salt Lake City

Badly under the weather. So lame I cannot walk. At Josephines home.

Monday, June 25, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I took an Electrical treatment at Calders Sanatorium from Dr. E. G. Gowns.

Monday, July 2, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the presidents office part of the day.

I went to the Sanatorium at Calders and had a treatment of Electricity by Dr. E. Gowans.

I find myself very poorly. I had a ride with W. W. Riter out to Camp Douglas.

Thursday, July 5, 1906 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith, Charles W. Penrose, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney and David O. McKay, Patriarch John Smith and Geo. F. Gibbs met at 10 a.m. in the [?].

Routine business was gone through and Reports were made.

We partook of the Sacrament, Prest. Joseph F. Smith blessing it. Water and not wine was used.

Saturday, July 7, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the First Presidency some three hours. The case of Bishop Prestons home was talked over and it was concluded he had paid for it all right. He is in a critical mental condition.

I took a Turkish Bath and went out for a drive.

Tuesday, July 10, 1906 - Salt Lake City

My son Joseph H. had a carbuncle removed from his leg to day at the L.D.S. Hospital by Dr. Jos. S. Richards.

Sunday, July 22, 1906 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Joseph F. Smith, wife Edna L. and C. W. Nibley & wife left for England.

Wednesday, Aug. 1, 1906 - Salt Lake City

George Albert Smith and I went [to] Provo. We attended the funeral of Byron Cheever, about 7 years old. It was held on the Lawn in front of the house. George Albert Smith and Frank Hinckley were the speakers.

Friday, Aug. 3, 1906 - Salt Lake City

At home and poorly.

Friday, Aug. 24, 1906 - Salt Lake City

At the Office most of the day. My wife Sarah and I went up to Centerville, Davis Co. to Ben E. Richs new home and had a nice dinner with them and several friends. I dedicated his new home. It cost five thousand dollars and is a very nice place.

Thursday, Aug. 30, 1906 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Presidents John R. Winder and Anthon H. Lund, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, George Teasdale, Reed Smoot, George Albert Smith, C. W. Penrose, George F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney and David O. McKay of the Twelve, Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met in Council.

Our Regular business was gone through and reports made And Assignments to the various conferences.

Bro. Reed Smoot was all broken up over some of Bro. Roberts talk on Politics.⁷

[Went to Idaho to Irrigation Conference at Boise.]

Thursday, Sept. 6, 1906 - Boise, Idaho

I paid my bills this morning. It was decided to go to Sacramento, California next year. Utah delegation voted to go to Jamestown, Va. I was elected First Vice President.

At 1:30 p.m. I went to Nampa and in Company with John G. Smith I went out to the Sugar Factory. It is well built and almost ready for use.

⁷Brigham H. Roberts, in a speech delivered on August 23, 1906, at Saltair, urged reaffirmation of nine "Points of Faith" adopted by the reconvened Democratic convention of 1895 regarding separation of church and state in politics. Among the points were a declaration of freedom from undue influence, freedom of political parties to select candidates without the consent of any church, and no encroachment upon the political rights of the individual. See *Salt Lake Herald*, Aug. 25, 1906. Roberts's independent course in politics frequently set him at odds with church leaders.

Friday, Sept. 7, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I reached home at 12 noon and found my daughter Sarah A. Pond very sick but improving.

I learned of the serious sickness of my mother and went on to Provo. I found her very bad.

Saturday, Sept. 8, 1906 - Provo

I spent the day in Provo. My Mother is serious. I telegraphed to my Sister Sarah M. Colton of Mothers condition.

Sunday, Sept. 9, 1906 - Provo

Mother still gradually failing. She is taking no Nurishment. I went home and returned to Provo. No particular change in my mothers condition.

Monday, Sept. 10, 1906 - Provo

I went to Salt Lake City and was at the office of the First Presidency most of the day and returned to Provo to find my mother gradually sinking. My sister Sarah M. Colton arrived to night.

Thursday, Sept. 13, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I went to Salt Lake City and met with Prest. John R. Winder, Anthon H. Lund, Francis M. Lyman, Geo. Teasdale, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Charles W. Penrose, O. F. Whitney, David O. McKay, John Smith Pat. and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs at 10 a.m. Temple.

Reports and Routine business gone through. Appointments made.

I returned to Provo. Mother still sinking slowly.

Saturday, Sept. 15, 1906 - Provo

My mother dont seem to be able to die but seems to be starving to death.

Tuesday, Sept. 18, 1906 - Provo

I am 58 years old today.

Friday, Sept. 21, 1906 - Provo

My Mother Hannah Maria Libbey Smith died this morning at 2:30 having gone without food for twenty one days. Myself, Sarah M. Colton and Joseph and Grace Cheaver and Isabell Martin Smith stood by her side when she died.

Jones and Graham were the undertakers.

My niece Hannah Isabel Knight is very sick tonight.

I sent Telegrams to John Q. A. Libbey and Henry Clay Libbey, brothers of my mother living in New Hampshire.

Arrangements were made for the funeral to be held in the Stake

House on Sunday at 1:30 p.m. She will be buried in Salt Lake City Cemetery beside George A. Smith and others of his wives.

Saturday, Sept. 22, 1906 - Provo

I returned to Salt Lake City and completed Arrangements for my Mothers burial. We secured a special Car for Sunday at a \$1.25 rate to go and return. I went to Provo.

John Royman ordained Nathaniel Libbey Smith an Elder today.

Sunday, Sept. 23, 1906 - Salt Lake City

Thirty three of us went to Provo.

The Funeral was held at 1:30 p.m.

Prayer by Harvey H. Cluff. The speakers were Prest. David John, Judge John E. Booth, Hannah Topham Clark, Reed Smoot, Prest. Anthon H. Lund, Francis M. Lyman and Bp. Manwaring. Benediction by Charles Glazer.

We went to Salt Lake City on the D. and R. G. Train No. 9 and went right to the Cemetery. Joseph E. Taylor in charge. Ten Carriages following the Hearses. Hyrum Cartwright gave the Dedicatory Prayer.

My sisters and Joseph Cheever returned to Provo.

Hannah Isabell Knight died at 1:40 a.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1906 - Salt Lake City

Ten of us went to Provo to the funeral of Hannah Isabel Knight at 2 p.m. in the 6th Ward meeting house.

Monday, Oct. 1, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I met President Joseph F. Smith who had arrived at home on Saturday from a trip to Europe. He was arrested on a charge of unlawfull cohabitation.

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 1906 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Francis M. Lyman and the following members met in Council at 10:30 a.m.: Myself, George Teasdale, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. Albert Smith, Charles W. Penrose, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney and David O. McKay. We were together for Eight hours. All spoke most freely and a good spirit prevailed. People are coming in droves to Conference. It begins to look as if considerable trouble is ahead in the spirit of the enemies of the [church?].

Friday, Oct. 5, 1906 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

At 5 p.m. an entertainment was given at the 17th ward Hall for my son Nathaniel L. who leaves for a Mission a few days hence.

Sunday, Oct. 7, 1906 - Salt Lake City

The spirit of this conference has never been exceeded to my knowledge. No break of any kind occurred.

Tuesday, Oct. 9, 1906 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency have determined on C. W. Penrose going to preside over the European Mission.

At 2 p.m. 60 Elders for Missions met at the Annex of the Temple and were set apart for Missions by the Apostles and Seventies. I was mouth in the Cases of Nathaniel Libbey Smith, Arnold Clarence Eldredge, David Edward Tracy, Rulon Seymour Wells Jr. and Fredrick Wm. Larson.

Wednesday, Oct. 10, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Presidency and some of the Twelve and the Presidency of the San Juan Stake and Bp. L. Redd of Bluff. I[t] was decided to abandon that place.

I had my own children and grand children together also some friends and other relatives, about forty souls in all at aunt Josephines.

I talked to them all at length. We had Cake and Ice Cream.

Thursday, Oct. 11, 1906 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and all of the Twelve but Heber J. Grant Met in the Temple at 10 a.m. Prayer by Prest. Francis M. Lyman. Mouth at the Altar George F. Richards. Business was gotten through with. George Albert Smith and B. H. Roberts are to go to the Eastern and Southern States on a Mission.

My son Nathaniel L. Smith left at 5:55 p.m. for his Mission. I supplied him with \$140.00.

Friday, Oct. 12, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the First Presidency much of the day. Prest. Anthony W. Ivins reported to me and explained to me conditions in The Mexican Colonization & A. Co. Has about ten thousand dollars in Mexican Money and Many uncollected bills and lands of varied value. We agreed that one thousand Mexican should be used in helping to build a Bridge across the Pedrias Viridie River in Colonia Juarez.

[Went to Idaho for conference at Blackfoot.]

Monday, Oct. 15, 1906 - Blackfoot, Idaho

At 1 a.m. on train I met President James E. Steal and talked over the Political Situation in Idaho.

Tuesday, Oct. 16, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Prest. Office during the morning hour and met Franklin S. Richards and talked over Idaho situation.

I went to Provo and attended the meeting [of] the Brigham Young University. Jesse Knight and family gave that Institution five hundred acres of land on Provo Bench.

Saturday, Oct. 20, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was Married Forty years ago Today to Sarah Farr. Ours has been a most happy life. She has borne Eleven children, Eight sons and three daughters. Three of the sons died in infancy.

Sunday, Oct. 21, 1906 - Salt Lake City

It began blowing along in the Evening and by Morning it had developed into quite a cyclone, uprooting hundreds of large trees and blowing of many roofs of houses, Causing some serious fires. A slaughtering plant was blown down and burned worth \$60,000.00 dollars. The Iron roofing on my barn blew of and other damage was done.

The Railroads were blocked between here and Ogden.

No meetings were held in the City because the Electric light was being blown down.

Wednesday, Oct. 24, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I sold today to W. S. McCornick 20 shares of Utah National Bank Stock at \$150.00 per share. I paid the Zions Savings Bank and Trust Co. Three thousand and ninty five dollars. I called upon Mrs. Nellie Morgan, Isabell M. and Esther M. Smith. Also on S. H. B. Smith. He seems nearly beside himself.

Thursday, Nov. 1, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I paid Three hundred and thirty dollars for Western Idaho Sugar Co. stock.

Tuesday, Nov. 6, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I cast my vote 2nd in our poling place about 7 a.m.

The Election went of very quickly. The Republicans have won.

Wednesday, Nov. 7, 1906 - Salt Lake City

Idaho has gone Republican so the papers [say].

Saturday, Nov. 10, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I paid twenty dollars to H. Cartwright today on the New Meeting house.

Tuesday, Nov. 13, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I spent some time at the Presidents office. I lent my son Winslow today Ten shares of Utah National Bank Stock worth \$1,500.00 and sixty five shares of Idaho Western Sugar Co. stock worth \$650.00.

Saturday, Nov. 17, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Directors meetings of the Con. W. & M. Co. and the Independent Telephone Co.

At 3:50 p.m. George Romney, Wm. Langton, George M. Cannon and I left for Kansas City to attend the Meetings of the Trans Mississippi Commercial Congress.

Thursday, Nov. 22, 1906 - Kansas City, Missouri

Richard W. Young and I went out to Independence, Mo. and had dinner with Prest. Joseph Smith of the Reorganized Church. His health is bad and he looks very worn. He is 74 years old. We met Fred M. Smith, Bp. Rolley and others.

They took us a drive about the City. It is said 17 hundred Reorganized Mormons live here.

8 p.m. Wm. J. Bryan made a great speech to a large Audience [at the Trans-Mississippi Congress] on the Peacefull solution of all National differences and against Monopolies.

[Left November 30 for Manassa, Colorado, and Colonia Juarez, Mexico.]

Monday, Dec. 3, 1906 - Manassa, Colorado

Thales Haskell, the man that carried my brother George Albert on his horse when he was shot by Navajo Indian at the Maricopa in Arizona is very sick. I called upon him. I called upon Sister Annie Morgan and had a talk with her. She looked some what red faced and bloted like not in the best of health or drinking.

Bros. Lyman, Cummung and Myself held a meeting and agreed to Recommend that a church school be established next September and that its home be a[t] Manassa.

Friday, Dec. 7, 1906 - El Paso to Colonia Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico

At Dublan we were met Bro. President A. W. Ivins and taken to Colonia Juarez, traveling 166 miles.

Sunday, Dec. 9, 1906 - Colonia Juarez

During the noon time we were engaged with Bro. Hyrum Harris, Prest. of the Mexican Mission in considering that field and its needs. It is thought by him a home is need[ed] and that a gathering place should be secured. This Idea seems to be endorsed by Prest. A. W. Ivins and his coun-cillors.

Prest. Francis M. Lyman and I had some conversation with John W. Taylor about his Condition and that of M. F. Cowley.

At 7 p.m. the young people met in the church school and had singing, reciting and speaking.

I talked to them for 1 hour and 15 minutes.

Monday, Dec. 10, 1906 - Colonia Juarez

At 9 a.m. went to the Church School and Bro. F. M. Lyman & I spoke to the children. At 10:30 a.m. In company with A. W. Ivins we met with John W. Taylor and talked over matters with him. He displayed considerable feeling in speaking over his resignation and Made a defense of himself and spoke quite about the spirit of Cowardice manifested by the brethren. He cooled off[f] and felt better after we had lunch.

Bro. Lyman told him that his trouble was his own not ours.

Tuesday, Dec. 11, 1906 - Dublan, Mexico to El Paso, Texas

We left at 7 a.m. and reached El Paso, Texas at 3:30 p.m. We called upon our Consul at Ciudad Juarez and certified to the Marriage of Isaac Pearce and Wife. We visited the grave of Abraham O. Woodruff.

I bought a Railway and sleeper Ticket to Los Angeles for \$24.50. Our train is late. I wrote to Sarah and Josephine.

Friday, Dec. 14, 1906 - Salt Lake City

We reached here at 6:30 p.m. I went right home. I have traveled this trip 3,749 miles, have been in five states and three Territories. Up to this date this year I have traveled 20,741 miles.

Thursday, Dec. 20, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I sealed in the Temple today My son Nicholas G. Smith, born June 20th, 1881, Salt Lake City, Utah and Florence Gay, born Sept. 24th, 1886 at Ogden, Utah. The Witnesses were Lorin Farr and Winslow Farr Smith.

About 50 persons were entertained by my wife Josephine at her home during the evening. We had a nice lunch.

Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Services in the Tabernacle at 11 a.m.

I ate my Christmas dinner at Sarah F. She distributed 69 presents.

Wednesday, Dec. 26, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Office part of the day and part of the time at my home. I met Heber J. Grant at the office. He looks a little worn.⁸

Friday, Dec. 28, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I attended a Banquet at the rooms of the Commercial Club. About three hundred men sat down to the Table.

Jos. Caine was Toast Master. Heber M. Wells, Fisher Harris, Frank B. Stevens, C. C. Goodwin and James H. Moyle made responses. I left at

⁸Heber J. Grant had returned from presiding over the European Mission.

11:46 p.m. Their was Many who had a halarious time. Other behaved nicely. It was the Annual banquet of the Club.

Monday, Dec. 31, 1906 - Salt Lake City

I settled the tithing of myself and wives \$500.00. I have aid \$500.00 to the new meeting house.

[Went to Logan, January 2, for funeral of Persis Farr. Stayed with Moses Thatcher.]

Monday, Jan. 7, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. Prest. F. M. Lyman, Rudger Clawson and myself met Geo. C. Lambert and Son and talked over his troubles with the Church about a paper deal.

Tuesday, Jan. 8, 1907 - Salt Lake City

H. J. Grant is to be set free by Attorney Hansen.

Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1907 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Francis M. Lyman and I had visit with Heber J. Grant at his home. He is in delicate health. He intends to go to Mexico.

Friday, Jan. 11, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I paid Interest at the Zions Savings Bank \$326.35 and a Telephone Bill of \$12.00, myself \$6.00 J.G.S., \$6.00.

Saturday, Jan. 12, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the Presidency during forenoon. Met the Presidency of the Teton Stake. Gave the \$1,527.00 to aid in paying for their stake house.

In the afternoon some lists of notes were gone over and several of the big ones were forgiven, among them Silas S. Smith, he was forgiven some over \$900.00. Samuel H. B. Smith over \$100.00.

Monday, Jan. 14, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I was elected a Director of the Nevada Land and Cattle Co. as was A. H. Lund, Hyrum M. Smith, Robert T. Burton and Orin P. Miller.

Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I dined at my son George Alberts. His guests were Jacob Riis of Danish birth and who is a lecturer of some standing on slum conditions, Joseph F. Smith, Lorin Farr, Wilford Woodruff and Mrs. Tirzah F. Gay, myself and wife Sarah F.

Friday, Jan. 25, 1907 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Francis M. Lyman, Geo. Albert Smith and me visited the Salt Lake Knitting Co. Manufacturing plant and examined the place. It is in

bad shape. Prest. Jos. F. Smith and his Councillor favor taking stock in this Concern as it employs a whole lot of our young people.

Saturday, Jan. 26, 1907 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency, F. M. Lyman, Geo. Albert Smith and Myself met with the Directors of the Salt Lake Knitting Co. and decided to take Fifty thousand dollars worth of stock in their Concern.

Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Prest. Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. F. Richards, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney and David O. McKay met in the Temple and talked the Question of giving to the Seventies three hours on Sunday for them to school their members.

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 1907 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and F. M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith and Geo. F. Richards [met]. B. H. Roberts read a paper upon the Savior and Cited authorities in regard to his triune make up. It was agreed he might publish it as his own.

I received from James Jack for expenses on trip \$100.00. At 9 p.m. Hyrum M. Smith and me left for Arizona.

Thursday, Feb. 7, 1907 - on train in Utah and Nevada

I spent the day reading Francis Bacons Essays.

Wednesday, Feb. 13, 1907 - Snowflake, Arizona

We called on a number of old ladies. Admnistered to several sick ones. Had dinner with all of the widows of Prest. Jesse N. Smith.

All of the Presidency of the stake and F. M. Lyman, Hyrum Smith and myself paid a visit to the Diversion Dam being built by the government on the Salt River. Engineer Martin showed us over the work. The dam will be one thousand feet long and thirty five feet wide at the base.

Sunday, March 3, 1907 - Thatcher, Arizona

Bishop W. A. Moody said their was 164 famalies in the Thatcher Ward. The block on which Meeting house stood was given by Prest. Christopher Layton.

The building had cost \$26,922.34. Received no donations by the people. \$16,000 by the church, \$7,000.00 Insurance and property sold \$1,640.00. The balance paid for Interest \$1,282.34. It is an elegant structure of gray stone.

It is a great tribute to the Industry and devotion of the Saints. A dedication Hymn was sung by the choir.

President Francis M. Lyman offered the Dedicatory Prayer, taking 19 minutes. It was very fine indeed.

Tuesday, March 12, 1907 - Salt Lake City

President Francis M. Lyman, Hyrum M. Smith and Myself Made report to the First Presidency of the land Matters in Maricopa stake referred to us to examine. Our recommendations were adopted and some other added.

Friday, March 15, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day at the office of the First Presidency. We read the address to the world that had been prepared by the brethren.⁹

Tuesday, March 19, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the Presidency of the Church most of the day.

In the evening Josephine and I attended the grand opera at the Salt Lake Theatre. It was very fine. The name was "Madam Butterfly."

Wednesday, March 20, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I spent some time at the office. We were reading a document prepared by a committee composed of LeGrand Young, B. H. Roberts, F. S. Richards, R. W. Young, Orson F. Whitney, D. O. McKay and James E. Talmage to be addressed to the People of the United States in defense of our Position. We read and ammended it. My sons George A., Don C., Winslow F., Nicholas G. & Son in law M. A. Pond and their wives and me and my wives [spent] the evening at my son Ezra Chases home. He has been Married ten years today.

Thursday, March 21, 1907 - Salt Lake City

The Twelve and others met and continued the reading an amending of the Committees document.

Friday, March 22, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the Presidency. The brethren met and continued the reading of the address and after some Minor amendments on My Motion it was adopted.

Tuesday, March 26, 1907 - Salt Lake City

It snowed during the night. I was at the Office of the first Presidency during the morning. At 4 p.m. In company with My Wife Josephine I went out to the Granite Stake Tabernacle to a Banquet and dance in honor of the Auxilliary organizations of the Granite Stake.

It was a great spread and the Tables were arranged in a unique manner forming a star. The decorations were splendid, The Poted Plants

⁹This address was an attempt to convince the world that the church had abandoned plural marriage and had no intention of dominating the state.

and flowers superb. All of the First presidency and Seven of the Twelve, and other leading Elders present as most of the stake office and the various Societies.

It was a grand time. 600 people must have been present. We were there for about five hours. My wife Sarah went to Ogden today.

Thursday, March 28, 1907 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and all of the Twelve but C. W. Penrose with Patriarch and Secretary Met in the Temple at 10 a.m. Prayer by Prest. Francis M. Lyman. Mouth at the Altar Heber J. Grant.

We talked general affairs and made our Reports and concluded to buy the old Home of the Smiths at Palmyra and also the Hill Cumorah, New York State.

I had a short ride in an Auto.

Friday, March 29, 1907 - Salt Lake City

My son Joseph Harmon Smith was rebaptised to day at the Baptistry by John W. Grace.

Saturday, March 30, 1907 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Utah Sugar Co., the Idaho Sugar co. and the Idaho Western Sugar Co. met at ten a.m. and Considered the proposition of Consoladation but we could not agree on Conditions and delayed any action.

At 2 p.m. All of the First Presidency, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Geo. Teasdale, H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. & Geo. Albert Smith and Geo. F. Richards of the Twelve, W. W. Riter, Chas. W. Nibley, A. W. Carlson of the Church Auditing Committee met in the Office of the Presidency and read the Annual Report of the Committee. The Church has in Actual Values about Ten Millions of dollars in Land, buildings, and other projects.

Sunday, March 31, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. I went to the Temple and attended the fast meeting.

At one p.m. services were held in the 17th ward New Chappel. Prest. Nephi Morris, W. N. Willlams, David O. Willey Jr. and Myself Blest four Babies and Confirmed 4 persons. I reconfirmed my son Joseph Harmon Smith.

Remarks by John R. Winder, Anthon H. Lund, Francis M. Lyman and Myself.

Dedicatory Prayer by Prest. Jos. F. Smith. Anthem. Hosannah [shout], Choir & Cong. Benediction by Prest. Nephi Morris. 661 persons were present.

At 6:30 p.m. I attended services at the 16th ward and spoke for one hour.

Monday, April 1, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I was considerably under the weather and I spent most of the day at home.

Friday, April 5, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. the General Conference met in the Tabernacle.

All of the General Authorities but C. W. Penrose, George Reynolds and Robert T. Burton being present.

After Singing and Prayer President Joseph F. Smith spoke about forty minutes giving an account of the general condition of the church, financial and spiritual.

Orson F. Whitney read an Address of the Presidency to the Church and Nation which took one hour to read.

On motion of President Francis M. Lyman seconded by me it was adopted by the Conference.

The attendance was large. It rained the greater part of the day.

Monday, April 8, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I paid the Deseret Savings Bank \$607.70 note and interest today. Interest 92.70 in total.

Wednesday, April 10, 1907 - Salt Lake City

My son Joseph Harmon was born December 17th, 1884. Baptised and confirmed by me April 4th, 1892. Rebaptised March 29th by John W. Grace and reconfirmed by me Sunday March 31st.

To day John Royman, Prest. of the Elders Quorum, and myself, me being Mouth Ordained him an Elder.

Thursday, April 11, 1907 - Salt Lake City

All of the First Presidency and all of the Twelve but C. W. Penrose, and the Patriarch John Smith, the Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met in the Temple at 10 a.m.

We agreed to send Geo. Albert Smith and W. W. Riter to look over the Country around Palmyra, N.Y. and what the Hill Cumorah and old home of Grand Patriarch Joseph Smith can be Purchased for. We also talked of the Purchase of an other large Ranch in Canada [?] by Geo. Teasdale.

Friday, April 12, 1907 - Salt Lake City

In the evening Josephine and me attended a concert in the interest of Burdette E. Burdette who is going on a mission. He received \$59.25 that was taken at the door.

Monday, April 15, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day between our two homes visiting with the children.

Thursday, April 18, 1907 - Salt Lake City

My son Joseph Harmon Received his endowments to day.

Friday, April 19, 1907 - Salt Lake City

The Ward gave an entertainment for my son Joseph Harmon. Singing, talking and dancing were indulged in. Joseph received \$38.00.

It was a very pleasant evening.

Wednesday, April 24, 1907 - Salt Lake City

My son Joseph Harmon left to day in company with Burdette E. Burdette for a Mission to Holland. I went to Ogden with him.

Wednesday, May 1, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the first Presidency most of the day. I attended the meetings of the Home Dramatic Directors and the Y.M.M.I.A. board. I paid the Deseret Savings Bank \$500.00 on note. I finished paying the state Bank note of \$1,200.00.

Monday, May 6, 1907 - Salt Lake City

The Relief Society celebrated the 85 birthday of Aunt Bathsheba Wilson Bigler Smith in the Lion house. Singing and speech making were the Order of the hour. An Elegant lunch was passed around. About two hundred persons were present.

Wednesday, May 8, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I met to day with the Directors of the Utah National Bank, Heber J. Grant & Co., Home Fire Insurance Co. and Y.M.M.I.A.

Tuesday, May 14, 1907 - Salt Lake City

In company with Gov. John C. Cutler, Presidents Joseph F. Smith, Anthon H. Lund, Nephi L. Morris, State Senator John Y. Smith of Lehi I went [to] Ogden and visited the schools for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind. Their are 20 blind boys and girls and 80 Deaf and Dumb boys and girls. Their are 20 male Teachers and the same number of Lady Teachers. I[t] was a marvel to me the proficiency the puples were attaining in letters and Mechanics. Professor Frank Driggs has charge of this school.

We had an elegant dinner here.

We then went [to] the Reform School under the management of Bro. Thomas. It has 76 boys and 20 girls and they are being taught in everything for their good.

I learned to day from Gov. John C. Cutler that their [are] in the State Mental Hospital 308 souls. In the state Prison 228 souls, and among them some very desperate Characters.

We returned having traveled 74 miles. My son Winslow Farr had a son born to him today.

Thursday, May 23, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the first Presidency and Myself, George Teasdale, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith and Orson F. Whitney of the 12, Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met in council.

Reports were made. Routine business gone through with. President Smith informed us that he wanted the 12 to keep aloof from other than their church duties.

Monday, May 27, 1907 - Salt Lake City

Elder Orson F. Whitney blessed our grand son and Named him Winslow Whitney Smith.

Wednesday, May 29, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 3 p.m. I attended a meeting of the Directors of the Independent Telephone Co. Some fifteen of our Employes are out on a strike. Some little Mischief has been done by some unknown parties.

Thursday, May 30, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the First Presidency and Prest. Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Heber J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith, G. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney and David O. McKay of the Twelve and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs [met].

At 1 p.m. S. B. Young, B. H. Roberts, R. S. Wells, Jos. W. McMurrin and Charles H. Hart joined us.

The bad grammar and bad spelling in the Book of Mormon was discussed and a theory by Bro. B. H. Roberts was Considered and we concluded to meet tomorrow.

We were together for eight hours.

Friday, May 31, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the First Presidency and Francis M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, Myself, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. F. Richards and Orson F. Whitney of the Twelve, S. B. Young, B. H. Roberts, Rulon S. Wells and Joseph W. McMurrin of the Seventy and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs [met].

It was agreed that B. H. Roberts might print his theory of the Translation of the Book of Mormon in a book.

It was also agreed that the Seventies may hold their Quorum meetings on Sunday at 10 a.m.

I attended a meeting of the Directors of the Con. W. & M. Co. at 3:10 p.m.

Saturday, June 1, 1907 - Salt Lake City

My son Ezra Chase Smith[^s wife] was taken with severe appendix trouble this afternoon and was taken to the W. H. Groves L.D.S. Hospital.

Sunday, June 2, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I attended the fast meeting in the Temple at 10 a.m. and it lasted for three hours.

I went with my wife Sarah up to the Hospital to Call upon our daughter[-in-law].

Monday, June 3, 1907 - Salt Lake City

Dr. Van Cott operated on Elizabeth my son E. Chase Smiths wife for Apendicitis.

Tuesday, June 4, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 3 p.m. the Directors of the Utah Mexican Rubber Co. met and heard the Report of the committee who had visited the Rubber Plantation and it seemed to be very favorable and things were prosperous.

Monday, June 10, 1907 - Salt Lake City

We returned home to day. On the train we learned of the death of Elder Geo. Teasdale Sunday night. I received an appointment from Governor John C. Cutler to go to Denver to attend a Convention meeting in that state on June 18th.

Tuesday, June 11, 1907 - Provo

I went in company with Gov. John C. Cutler, Presidents Jos. F. Smith & A. H. Lund to Provo and met Reed Smoot and J. B. Keeler and went to the Insane Asylum and under the direction of Dr. Calder examined the condition of that institution. It has about 380[?] inmates. We looked through the Woolen factory and returned home.

Wednesday, June 12, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. Funeral of Elder Geo. Teasdale in the Assembly Hall.

Bp. John Whitaker, Myself, S. B. Young, H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, A. H. Lund and Prest. Joseph F. Smith all spoke.

I am to go to Oregon with Jos. F. Smith, A. H. Lund and Hyrum M. Smith.

Thursday, June 13, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 11:40 a.m. Prests. Joseph F. Smith, Anthon H. Lund, Hyrum

M. Smith, Alice K. Smith and Myself left for La Grande Oregon. At Ogden David Eccles and Charles Nibley and others joined us.

Saturday, June 15, 1907 - Baker City and La Grande, Oregon

We held two meetings in the new stake house which has cost about \$40,000.00 and is Elegant. All of the members of our party but Alice spoke.

Monday, June 17, 1907 - La Grande

We had a drive up to the Perry Saw Mills and drove about the beautiful Valley.

Wednesday, June 19, 1907 - Hood River, Oregon

We had a good nights rest and went by steamer from here down the Columbia and up the Willamette Rivers to Portland. It was a lovely day. The scenery was grand.

Thursday, June 20, 1907 - Portland, Oregon

We attended a banquet given by Geo. Stoddard at the Portland Hotel. It was an Elegant meal.

C. W. Nibley took us to the Opera. About midnight we left Portland for California.

[Visited San Francisco and Los Angeles for sightseeing and left Los Angeles June 26.]

Thursday, June 27, 1907 - Salt Lake City

We reached here promptly at 6:30 a.m. having traveled 3,250 miles and attended 8 meetings and two Banquets. We had many nice visits with friends.

Friday, June 28, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the First Presidency. The Directors of the Salt Lake Theatre Company met at 10 a.m.

H. J. Grant, C. S. Burton, George D. Pyper and myself Examined the Theatre and instructed the manager to make a number of Improvements.

Monday, July 1, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I signed at the Zions Saving Bank and Trust Co. a note for \$14,095.00. I paid \$95.00 on the note. It is secured [by] the following stock

Utah Sugar	370 shares
Western Idaho Sugar	65 "
Idaho Sugar	1,578 "
H. J. Grant & Co.	10 "
S. L. Dramatic	37 "
Home Fire Insurance	10 "

Con. W. & M. Co.	14	"
Sugar City	12	"
Spanish Fork Coop.	200	"

The Directors of the Mexican Rubber met and agreed to Issue some stock to plant some Banana Land we had instructed Cluff, our Manager to by.

[Went to Chicago on July 3 for meeting of executive committee of Irrigation Congress.]

Saturday, July 6, 1907 - Chicago

I reached here at 8 a.m. and went to H. J. Sears home and left my lugage.

I went to the Auditorium Hotel. I met with the members of the Executive committee of the Irrigation Congress. About one dozen of us were present. We agreed on a program.

Saturday, July 13, 1907 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Independent Telephone Co. met at 9 a.m. and came to the Conclusion to try and buy the Bonds of that Co.

I was the ballance of the day at the office of the First Presidency with Prest. J. F. Smith, John R. Winder and H. J. Grant passing upon petitions from various wards in the church to aid in building meeting houses. Over Fourteen thousand dollars was appropriated to give such aid.

[Went July 18 on trip to Colorado and New Mexico with David O. McKay.]

Wednesday, July 24, 1907 - Sanford, Colorado

Bro. Aaron Hawkins took me to Sanford. The Day [Pioneer Day] was Celebrated. I delivered the Oration and a number of nice speeches were made.

A local company gave Pinafore and we also saw a Base Ball game.

We returned to Manassa and attended a Ball.

Monday, Aug. 5, 1907 - Salt Lake City

In company with Gov. John C. Cutler I attended the Childs Court and learned some very bad things.

Tuesday, Aug. 6, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I went with Josephine to Ringling Bro. Circus in the evening. It is a great affair.

Saturday, Aug. 17, 1907 - Logan

In the evening Bishop Orin P. Miller and I went to Logan to attend

the joint funeral of Wm. B. Preston and Solon Barber [who] drowned in Bear River near Cache Junction.

Thursday, Aug. 22, 1907 - Salt Lake City

Upon Invitation of Governor J. C. Cutler I attended a Banquet given by him to Secretary of Commerce and Labor Strauss in the Alta Club.

Saturday, Aug. 24, 1907 - Salt Lake City

In company with Heber J. and B. F. Grant, Jos. Geoghegan and LeRoy Snow and Yancy Arent[?] I went by Automobile to dog Valley in Juab Co. to a dry farm owned by B. F. Grant and others and Witnessed the operation of a combined Reaper and Thrasher. It did nice. Gov. John C. Cutler and Prest. A. H. Lund and Geo. Whitman had joined us at Nephi.

The work in reaping and Thrashing and sacking was done in splendid shape.

We left home at 5:45 a.m. and returned at 10 p.m. having traveled 220 miles and made seven stops. On the good road we made wonderful time. It rained considerable during the day.

[Went on August 29 to Sacramento, California, for Irrigation Congress.]

Thursday, Sept. 12, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I was at home. I was elected a Director of the Inter Mountain Cement & Brick Co. today. I met with the Directors.

Saturday, Sept. 14, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I was at home most of the day. I spent part of the forenoon with Prest. John R. Winder.

Nicholas Groesbeck Morgan and about fifty of his kindred and friends were entertained at Josephines this evening.

Hyrum Groesbeck blest N. G. Morgan and gave him some Counsel.

Monday, Sept. 16, 1907 - Salt Lake City

Prest. John R. Winder and myself read the business correspondence of the office. My family are at work getting ready for the Marriage of our daughter Tirzah Priscilla to William Langton on the 18th day of this month.

Wednesday, Sept. 18, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I am fifty nine (59) years old today. I sealed in the Temple to day my daughter Tirzah Priscilla to William F. Langton, son of William and Frances A. Langton.

We had about one hundred persons at Aunt Sarah F. to night and had a very agreeable time.

I am pleased with my new son in law.

Thursday, Sept. 19, 1907 - Salt Lake City

My sister Priscilla Smith Taylor gave birth to a daughter to day.

Friday, Sept. 20, 1907 - Salt Lake City

In company with John Stringham, Jos. F. Smith, A. H. Lund, Thos Hull and Myself started in an Auto to Woods Cross to see the Cannery. Our Machine was disabled, and Geo. Stringham picked Bros. Smith, Lund and Myself and took [us] to the Canning plant where we looked through the building. 27 men and boys and 50 girls were at work. We were gone three hours and had a 20 mile ride in the Auto.

Saturday, Sept. 21, 1907 - Salt Lake City

My sister Priscilla Smith [Taylor] is dangerously sick from Brights disease of the kidney.

Monday, Sept. 23, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I went to Provo to see my sick sister Priscilla Taylor. She is very bad. I blest her.

Thursday, Sept. 26, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the first Presidency most of the day. Prest. Francis M. Lyman, Thos Hull and myself were considering the Skelton publishing Co. matter.

At 4:30 p.m. I went to Provo to see my sick sister Priscilla Taylor. She is a little improved.

Friday, Sept. 27, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I spent the most of the day at the Presidencys office. All of the Presidency, F. M. Lyman, Thos. Hull and myself decided it would not be best to t[o]uch the Skelton matter.

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 1907 - Salt Lake City

In company with the manager and some of the Directors of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. we had a visit with H. O. Havemeyer and talked over our business Concerns.

About 8 p.m. one hundred members of the Smith family and friends Celebrated the seventy first birthday of Aunt Amy Jones King Smith, wife of Judge Elias Smith.

We had a nice lunch and most enjoyable time singing, reciting and having a good all round time.

Sunday, Oct. 6, 1907 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

2 p.m. Prayer by Prest. David K. Udall. The speakers were S. O. Bennion and B. H. Roberts, the later dwelling on the Missouri troubles.

The general Authoraties were sustained and Anthony W. Ivins was

selected to fill the place made vacant in the Quorum of the Apostles by the death of Elder George Teasdale.

Two overflow meetings were held in the afternoon and one in the forenoon.

The Presidency and Twelve met in the Beehive house, all being present and taking part but C. W. Penrose. Prest. Francis M. Lyman gave the Charge to Bro. A. W. Ivins and Prest. Joseph F. Smith ordained him an Apostle.

Tuesday, Oct. 8, 1907 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and F. M. Lyman, Myself, H. M. Smith, Geo. A. Smith, Geo. F. Richards, A. W. Ivins, H. J. Grant and members of the Josepa board met and talked over the Ranch matters and voted to secure the Mountain Water for power and Irrigation purposes.

Saturday, Oct. 12, 1907 - Salt Lake City and Provo

In company with Prest. Jos. F. Smith and wife Allice K. I went to Provo and attended the Trustees meeting of the Brigham Young University. I called on my sick sister Priscilla Taylor and found her still bad.

Sunday, Oct. 13, 1907 - Provo and Salt Lake City

I called upon my sister Priscilla who had passed a very bad night.

We left for home at 11:52 a.m., travelling on this trip 94 miles.

My wife Josephine is fifty years old today. I had dinner with her and her children.

Friday, Oct. 18, 1907 - Salt Lake City

F. M. Lyman, Rudger Clawson, Geo. Albert Smith, my wife Sarah and myself took a ride with H. J. Grant in his new Auto. 35 miles.

My Daughter N. Clair Smith is going to Chicago and Chattanooga, Tenn. with Ben E. Rich. I gave her \$75.00. I blest her.

Sunday, Oct. 20, 1907 - Nephi

My wife Sarah was married to me forty one years ago today.

Thursday, Oct. 24, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I attended the meeting of Seventies Quorum at Granite Stake House. 496 persons were present, men and women.

President Joseph F. Smith says their are only two Priesthoods and out of these grows the Various offices. The Twelve act as presiding officer by virtue of being high Priests and not on account of the Apostleship but that makes them Witnesses of Christ and heralds of the truth.

Saturday, Oct. 26, 1907 - Salt Lake City and Provo

By Telephone message during the night we learned that our sister

Priscilla S. Taylor was not expected to live during the night. My sisters Clarissa and Elizabeth went to Provo. We found Priscilla still alive and very bad. She improved a little during the day.

Sunday, Oct. 27, 1907 - Salt Lake City

Dr. Taylor says Priscilla is much better. I blest her and returned to my home.

Monday, Nov. 4, 1907 - Ephraim

It is founders day of the Snow Academy. It is 20 years old tomorrow. The student body marched about the city and held services in the big Hall of the academy building. We had some excelent music by the students. Prests. Smith and Lund, Prof. Noyes, Prest. Henry Beal and I spoke.

We had a nice Banquet in the Hall given by the Domestic Science class. It was nicely served.

We returned home having held 8 meetings and Traveled 250 miles.

Tuesday, Nov. 5, 1907 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. met at 3 p.m. today. Money Matters are badly mixed all over the Land.

Wednesday, Nov. 6, 1907 - Salt Lake City and Provo

A company of sixty of our relatives, among them Prest. F. M. Lyman went to Provo and attended the funeral of my sister Priscilla in the Fifth Ward Meeting House. David John, Patriarch John Smith, Reed Smoot, Prest. Francis M. Lyman and Bp. Manwearing speaking. I dedicated the grave.

Myself and wives dined at Jos. Cheevers. We returned home in the evening having traveled 100 miles.

Saturday, Nov. 16, 1907 - on train in Kansas [to Trans-Mississippi West Commercial Congress meeting in Oklahoma]

President H. D. Loveland of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress and I met. We Joined the following Telegram to Governor Haskell of the new state of Oklahoma.

All hail to the forty six star of the great Republic.

May she ever be worthy of the best Traditions of all the Races from which her citizenship has sprung.

May the highest Ideals of the patriots of the Past ever characterize her sons and daughters during all time.

H. D. Loveland
John Henry Smith
President & Ex. Pres. of the Trans
Mississippi Com. Congress

Wednesday, Nov. 20, Muskogee, Oklahoma

Three meetings [of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress] were held. I presided at one of them. I also made a short speech in response to the welcome made by Gov. Haskell.

Sunday, Nov. 24, 1907 - Muskogee

We visited the national Cemetery and saw the grave of the Indian wife of Sam Houston, the house where Blaine was entertained when sick after his defeat by Cleveland, the school house where Stanley the African Explorer taught, the house now in ruins where Jefferson Davis lived at the close of the rebellion and other Interesting places.

Tuesday, Nov. 26, 1907 - Chicago

I reached here at 9 a.m. and went to the home of Dr. H. J. Sears. I met my daughter Claire.

I was measured for a Wig today and paid \$22.50 for it.

Saturday, Nov. 30, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I reached home at 9 a.m. found all well. My daughter Sarah A. Pond had given birth to a son on the 28th Thanksgiving day. I have been gone 16 days, attended 20 meetings of various kinds and traveled 4,082 miles.

Sunday, Dec. 1, 1907 - Salt Lake City

At 3 p.m. I attended fast meeting in the 17th ward.

We had sixteen speakers and all enjoyed a good spirit. It was a remarkable meeting.

I confirmed my grand daughter Edith, my son Georges daughter.

Monday, Dec. 2, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I sent my sons Nathaniel and Joseph H. their allowance of twenty dollars each and Five dol. each extra for Christmas.

Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I met the Presidency, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith and David O. McKay.

Many items of business were passed upon and reports made.

I was called out because of the sickness of my daughter Sara A. babe.

I blest him and named him Karl Lamar. He was born Nov. 28th, 1907 in this City of Salt Lake.

I was at the office the rest of the day with the Presidency.

Thursday, Dec. 5, 1907 - Salt Lake City

Today by a letter from the First Presidency Bp. William B. Preston was honorably released from the duties of his great office. Prest. Francis M.

Lyman and I presented it in the Presence of his Wife and his sons in law, L. R. Martineau and Oscar Moyle.

Bro. Lyman blest Sister Preston and I blest the Bishop at their request. The release was accepted in a kindly spirit by all.

Monday, Dec. 9, 1907 - Provo

The board of the Brigham Young University met and cleared up some business. Prest. Jos. F. Smith presiding. We voted to build a memorial building on Temple Hill to Karl G. Maeser.

Wednesday, Dec. 11, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I received a wig today from Wolf of Chicago.

Thursday, Dec. 12, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Independent Telephone Co. We talked over the transfer of the stock and held to the idea it must not be done unless we could be satisfied it is held by an innocent purchaser.

Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I attended a meeting of the board of Directors of the Salt Lake Theatre Co. Also the meeting of the Utah Mexican Rubber Co. Directors. We decided that our Manager should pay a visit early in the year to the Tabasco Ranch.

Tuesday, Dec. 24, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I had dinner to day with 129 Employees of the shoe and overall departments of Z.C.M.I. It was a fine spread. A. H. Lund, Geo. Romney, John R. Barnes, F. Y. Webber and myself of the Directors being present and all spoke.

Wednesday, Dec. 25, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day between my two homes, Eating my Christmas dinner at Josephines.

Friday, Dec. 27, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I was with the Presidency and Bishopric talking Tithing business affairs over. Bro. Rudger Clawson presented Church property schedule and valuations were considered.

Saturday, Dec. 28, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon at the office of the First Presidency. I had a talk with H. J. Grant about himself.

David Eccles of Ogden City presented his Coal scheme to the brethren which seems to me is a very good one.

Sunday, Dec. 29, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon at my home. I wrote a letter to and sent one dollar to my grandson Stanley Shields Smith who is ten years old today.

Monday, Dec. 30, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I spent the evening at James Dwyers in company with my wife Sarah F., Bp. C. W. Nibley & wife, Wm. N. Williams and wife, Mrs. Priscilla Jennings, Mrs. Joseph Watson, Mrs. Elliza Hendley & Susan Brooks and his daughters Margaret, Edna, Dorothy & Phyllis. We had a grand supper and a most pleasing evening.

Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1907 - Salt Lake City

I settled the tithing of the year to night. I paid \$417.00

Sarah F.	36.00
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Josephine G.	140.00
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I sent to my sons

Nathaniel to day	25.00
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Joseph	35.00
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During the Present year I have traveled 25,241 miles. I have attended the Irrigation and Trans Mississippi Commercial Congress. I have attended 485 meetings of various kinds.

Wednesday, Jan. 1, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day at my homes reading and visiting. My wife Sarah gave us a very nice dinner.

I paid the Jordan State Bank \$2,040.15 to day. I borrowed from the Utah National Bank to day \$1,500.00 and am to pay at the rate of 8 percent per annum. The note will be due on April 3rd.

Thursday, Jan. 9, 1908 - Salt Lake City

In company with H. J. Grant I called up Sister Emily Grant and administered to her. She has some internal trouble the Doctors fears is malignant.

Wednesday, Jan. 15, 1908 - Salt Lake City and Provo

In company with Prest. Jos. F. Smith to Provo. President Geo. H. Brimhall met us [at] the depot and took to the Brigham Young University. We met with Faculty in their morning prayers. I offered the Prayer. We adjourned to the College Hall and it was explained to the students the school would march up to Temple Hill and the grounds owned by the University would be dedicated for school purposes.

Dedication prayer was offered [by] President Joseph F. Smith.

Wednesday, Jan. 22, 1908 - Salt Lake City

The Trans Missouri Arid Farming Congress met at 10 a.m. in Armory Hall. Called to order by Governor J. C. Cutler who read a paper.

Sunday, Jan. 26, 1908 - Salt Lake City

Not feeling [well] I spent the entire day at home reading in the Bible.

Friday, Jan. 31, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Salt Lake Theatre Co. and the Directors of the Utah National Bank. I spent part of the day in the office of the Presidency.

At 10 p.m. I went to the depot and went to bed. I found Hyrum M. Smith all ready there.

[Went to Idaho, January 31-February 3, and organized new Rigby Stake.]

Sunday, Feb. 9, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I met with my prayer circle in the Temple.

The Papers announced that the Utah National bank had been Robed.

Monday, Feb. 10, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I called at the Utah National Bank and conversed with several of the employees, also with W. S. McCornick and learned that over \$106,000.00 had been stolen and had occurred a month ago.

Wednesday, Feb. 12, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 10:30 a.m. I attended the Bank meeting of the Utah National [Bank]. W. J. McConnell, Adams, Jos. Nelson, Rod C. Badger, J. W. W. Fitzgerald, O. P. Miller and myself being present.

The Secretary made his report which was accepted. Prest. McCornick reported that the bank had been Robed about Jan. 5th and from that time until the present he had been doing all in his power to ferret out the Theives by the employment of Detectives but that no man had as yet been found. He kept the matter quiet believing that the chances were better to capture the guilty party. The board endorsed his work and instructed to make every legitimate effort in his power to ferret out the parties.

Wednesday, Feb. 19, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 11 p.m. I went to sleep on the San Pedro Train.

Friday, Feb. 21, 1908 - San Bernardino and Los Angeles

We reached Los Angeles and transferred our Luggage to the Southern Pacific Station and left it. We went to the S.P. uptown office and bought our sleeper and took Electric Car to Ocean Beach. On the Road I discovered

that I had lost my Book of Passes and \$80.00 money. We went to the end of our journey and Telephoned to the Railway office our loss but learned nothing.

At Ocean Beach we met John T. Caine and Wife and family, George W. Snow, Dr. Steven Richards and Wife and family. After a short visit Bro. Geo. F. Richards and I returned to Los Angeles and made some search for my book but failed to find it.

At 1 p.m. Bro. Richards left for Mesa, Arizona in company with a young Bro. McAllen. I called at the Times office [and] put an advertisement of my loss in the paper. We also went to the Police head Quarters and had some talk with a Detective and left a description of my loss. Mr. Ingram and his Clerk Mr. Jameson took steps for me to get transportation to El Paso, Texas and return.

Friday, Feb. 28, 1908 - Thatcher, Arizona

We attended the religious exercises at the Academy and Bro. G. F. Richards and I spoke to the students.

The evening was spent at the church office with President Andrew Kimball and his counsellors and other brethren talking over the proposition of building a new academy building to Cost about \$25,000.00 dollars.

Friday, March 6, 1908 - Dublan and Colonia Juarez, Mexico

Bro. Henry E. Bowman took us in his Auto to Colonia Juarez. We put up at Bro. A. W. Ivins. I got shaved and I visited some of the business houses. I delivered to Mrs. Josephine C. Haws \$100.00 her sister sent by me from Thatcher.

We attended a ball in the Academy building for a short time. It was a very pleasant affair.

Saturday, March 7, 1908 - Colonia Juarez, Chihuahua

Conference Convened in the Academy at 10 a.m. Prest. A. W. Ivins presiding.

7:30 p.m. Priesthood meeting, a nice attendance.

I called a vote of the brethren who unanimously voted to release from their labors in this field Anthony W. Ivins, Helaman Pratt, Guy C. Wilson of the Presidency and members of the High Council.

Monday, March 9, 1908 - Colonia Juarez

At 8 p.m. another meeting was held.

Guy C. Wilson made a speech and presented Bro. A. W. Ivins with an elegant gold watch. Cost \$240.00. Elder A. W. Ivins made a nice response to the encomiums passed upon his life.

Thursday, March 12, 1908 - Los Angeles

We reached Los Angeles at 9:45 a.m. and I called at the Police office but learned nothing of my Wallet.

Friday, March 13, 1908 - on train to Utah

On the train day spent in reading the bible.

Saturday, March 14, 1908 - Salt Lake City

We reached home at 6:30 a.m. having attended 31 meetings and traveled 3,730 miles.

I paid my son George Albert \$1,000.00. I received from Telephone people \$3,500.00.

Sunday, March 15, 1908 - Lund, Iron County

I was met here by Kumen Jones and taken to Cedar City. Bp. Henry Lunt took me to Parowan. I met with the young people at 7:30 p.m.

I spoke one hour and forty minutes on Moral lives.

I put up at the home of my sister Mary A. Wimmer.

Monday, March 16, 1908 - Parowan and Cedar City

Bp. Henry Lunt took me to Cedar City and I put up at his home. I had a visit with George Wood and some of his children. The old gentleman is getting getting quite feable in mind and body.

Tuesday, March 17, 1908 - Cedar City

Upon the recommendation of Bishop H. Lunt and Prest. W. T. Jones and his Councillors I restored his rights in the Church to George Condie. I had a long visit with Geo. Wood and promised to do all I can for him.

Wednesday, March 18, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I reached my home at 6:15 a.m. having traveled 594 miles and attended four meeting.

Saturday, March 21, 1908 - Salt Lake City

My health is better than for the past three years.

[Went to meetings at Fielding, Utah, and Malad, Idaho, March 21-24.]

Tuesday, March 31, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the Twelve but Reed Smoot and C. W. Penrose met in their room in the Temple.

All present spoke freely on their labors and experiences and in a Most friendly way.

We were together from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. except 1 hour and a half.

I have traveled in the past three months 6,741 miles. I have attended during the present year up to and including this day 124 meetings.

Wednesday, April 1, 1908 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency, All of the Twelve but Reed Smoot and C. W.

Penrose met in the Temple at 10 a.m. Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs also being present.

All of our Company partook of the sacrament together. D. O. McKay blessing the bread and Water.

I paid Zions Savings Bank \$1,000.00 principal and Interest \$332.50.

Thursday, April 2, 1908 - Salt Lake City

3 p.m. the Presidency and All of the Twelve but Reed Smoot, C. W. Penrose and D. O. McKay met with the Auditing Committee and presiding Bishop and heard the Auditors report read and it was a good one. The Church has over Seven Millions worth of property.

Friday, April 3, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I paid E. O. Taylor \$12.30 for repairs on teeth of Clair and Glenn.

At 10 a.m. the Directors of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. met and received and accepted reports. The company is in good shape.

At 12 noon I met with All of the Twelve but R. Smoot, C. W. Penrose and David O. McKay in their Room in the Temple.

I spent the ballance of the day at the Office of the Presidency. President C. W. Penrose was instructed [by] Cablegram and letter to sell two buildings in Liverpool and one in London and make a purchase of a large fine building in London.

Saturday, April 4, 1908 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

Priesthood meeting at 7 p.m. Present 1,389 persons.

The report of the Auditors of the Church accounts were read. W. W. Riter made a nice talk on the financial Condition of the Church, as did A. W. Carlson. Prest. A. H. Lund also spoke of the stable condition of the Church.

Tuesday, April 7, 1908 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and the Twelve spent the evening at Prest. John R. Winder. The Patriarch John Smith as also the wives of the brethren were there.

We had an excelent dinner and lots of singing largely by Horace Ensign.

Wednesday, April 8, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Utah National Bank. The men on who suspicion has rested for having robed the bank of \$106,250.00 except W. F. Adams who declined. The board removed him from the Executive Committee and demanded his resignation from the board.

I met with the Directors of the Nevada Land & Cattle Co., Home Fire Insurance Co., H. J. Grant & Co., Y.M.M.I.A. board.

One hundred and Ten persons met at a banquet at 6 p.m. with the Remnants of Zions Camp. Nathan Tanner 93 years old being the only surviving member. The wives of 4 members deceased were present.

Of the Mormon Batallion Four men were present and 12 women.¹⁰

We had a very nice time together. Some splendid singing by the Students of the Church University. Some nice speaches and essays.

7 meetings to day. I missed one.

Thursday, April 9, 1908 - Salt Lake City

Myself and Wives went to Spanish Fork to draw our yearly Dividend. It was \$298.75. I paid \$30.00 Tithing and withdrew \$228.75 in goods and left \$40.00 standing to our credit.

Friday, April 10, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. held its stock holders meeting. I was relected a Director of that company.

I met with Gov. John C. Cutler and several other parties and talked over holding peace meetings.

Saturday, April 11, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I paid the Inter Mountain C. & B. Co. \$100.00 for stock.

At 3 p.m. Josephine and me went to the Lion house to a meeting of the Daughters of the Pioneers.

W. W. Riter and Phillip Margetts entertained the Audience. We had Cake and Butter Milk.

At 6 p.m. I went to the Home of John MacDonald who is 78 years old to day. We had a grand spread. 110 persons sat down at the tables. My wife Sarah was with me. We sang, recited and danced.

Tuesday, April 14, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I was mouth in setting apart C. A. Callis for a mission to the Southern States.

The Committee on Programme of the Peace organization consisting of Rev. P. Simpkins Brewster, Myself and Mrs. Cosgrove met and arranged a Programme.

Saturday, April 18, 1908 - Provo

We held a short Priesthood meeting at which we took the sentiment of 45 High Priests, 17 Seventies and 16 Elders present in regard to who

¹⁰ Zion's Camp was an 1834 quasi-military expedition from church headquarters in Kirtland, Ohio, to rescue the Saints in Missouri from persecution. The Mormon Battalion was a Mormon-staffed U.S. Army battalion mustered in 1846 in the war with Mexico.

should fill the presidency as bro. David John was honorably released owing to growing mental and Physical weakness.

Sunday, April 19, 1908 - Provo [stake conference]

I spoke to the people and they honorably released with their blessing and love Prest. David John and sustained him as a Patriarch.

Joseph Brigham Keeler was sustained as president of the Utah [stake] of Zion. Lafayette Holbrook as 1st Councillor and Jesse William Knight 2[nd].

Thursday, April 23, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I was before the Grand Jury of the U.S. Court in the Matter of the Utah National Bank Robbery.

Tuesday, April 28, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I met Noble Warrum at the office of the Utah Mexican Rubber Co. and he told me of his recent visit to our Plantation. He says Matters are going on nicely.

I went to the Temple and was baptised for George Wood of Cedar City, Iron Co. George Wood was born on Nov. 13th, 1822, England. He died April 26th, 1908 in Cedar City, Iron Co., Utah. Andrew Mollerup baptised me for Geo. Wood and Bp. Albert W. Davis Confirmed me for him and restored all his rights and blessing in the Priesthood. Duncan McAllister assisted him. I telephoned this information to Bishop Henry Lunt of Cedar City.

Thursday, April 30, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 8 p.m. I attended at the Barrett Hall the Commencement exercises of a Nursing Class.

Dr. Joseph Richards distributed the deplomas and flowers were given each graduate. 3 nonMormon and 10 Mormon girls made up the class, 13 in all.

Saturday, May 2, 1908 - Salt Lake City

Prest. John R. Winder and myself attended the Laying of the Corner Stone of the New meeting house of the 2nd Ward of the Liberty Stake.

James Leach, 93 years old today, laid the Corner Stone on the lot he had settled on in 1848, giving one half its value to the Ward and some money to construct the building.

I went with my wives and called upon Aunt Bathsheba W. Smith who will be 86 years old tomorrow. Her grand daughters did the receiving.

Monday, May 4, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Republican Primary.

Tuesday, May 5, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. I met Gov. John C. Cutler, Rabi Freund, Mrs. Cosgrove, Rev. Brewster and others of the committee to draft a Constitution for a Peace policy.

We paid our fee of one dollar each. We amended our Constitution and became a member of the American body of Boston.

Wednesday, May 6, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the First Presidency And All of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson who is in California and Reed Smoot who is in Washington, D. C. and C. W. Penrose who is in Europe met in the Temple.

A letter of B. H. Roberts was read which seems to place that gentleman in a more dangerous place. It is an Assault on Reed Smoot.

At 4 p.m. I met with the Religion Class board. Elder Henry Peterson said he had visited the Juvenile Court and the Records showed that in the past 6 months 83 girls and 742 boys have been before that Court for Various Crimes, largely violations of the Curfew law. That about seventy five percent were the children of the L.D. Saints.

Thursday, May 7, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 11:45 [p.m.] Joseph F. Smith Jr. and I left for Oakley, Cassia Co., Idaho to attend the stake Conference.

Sunday, May 10, 1908 - Oakley, Idaho

At 12 noon The Presidency held a meeting with the Bishops of the Stake, all of whom were present but one, 13 in number. Prest. Wm. T. Jack, Joseph F. Smith Jr. and I spoke to them on tithing and fast offering and the proper care of the same and of the Poor who were dependant. To guard against Idleness but to properly care for the worthy needy.

Tuesday, May 12, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I reached home at 8:30 a.m., having traveled 642 miles.

I went with Prest. Joseph F. Smith to the U.S. Marshalls office. He had been subpoenaed before the U.S. Grand Jury as a witness in the Utah National Bank Robbery Case.

Wednesday, May 13, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the First Presidency and All of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Chas. W. Penrose and Geo. F. Richards being present. Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs. Routine business was attended to.

I attended the Utah National Bank Directors meeting. H. J. Grant & Co. Directors meeting.

Religion Class board. Young Mens Mutual Improvement Association board. Six meetings to day 6.

Sunday, May 17, 1908 - Salt Lake City

It is a lovely day.

Peace meeting are being held all over the Land.

I heard Orson F. Whitney talk peace in the Tabernacle.

The Committee appointed by Gov. John C. Cutler held peace services in the Congregational Church. Prayer by Dr. Paden.

Col. Geo. W. Squires presided. Bp. [Franklin] Spaulding of the Episcopal Church made a speech. Mr. Miller read a Paper by Bp. Scanlan of the Catholic Church. Judge Wm. H. King spoke for the Latter Day Saints and I felt it was the best of all. A Paper from Gov. Cutler was adopted and a board elected, Gov. Cutler being elected President. I was made a Director.

We had nice music and singing.

Benediction by Rabbi [Charles] Freund.

A Peace meeting was held in the 17th Ward.

Tuesday, June 2, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I went to Provo this morning and attended the Commencement exercises of the Brigham Young University. The members of the board of Trustees, The Faculty and Student body marched [to] the Stake Tabernacle where the exercises were held.

During the present year 74 Professors and Teachers have been employed. 1,756 students have been enroled.

I presented Diplomas and conferred degrees by order of the President and faculty representing the board of Trustees.

My son George Albert Smith delivered address.

We marched to Temple Hill in a rain storm where ground was broke for the Karl G. Maeser Memorial building, Geo. Albert Smith offering the Prayer of Dedication and I breaking the sod [and] making a short speech. Many lifted a sod. I threw one dollar into the hole.

Wednesday, June 3, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I sealed Hyrum Groesbeck Jr. and Miss Helena Taylor Badge, Leslie Hermon Groesbeck and Miss Hazel Alice Calder. Geo. Rommey and Alfred Soloman witnesses.

They held receptions in the evening but I did not go owing to a severe pain in my left side.

Friday, June 5, 1908 - Salt Lake City

Myself and Wives spent the evening at Hyrum Groesbeck with his newly wedded sons and their wives and friends of the family. We had a pleasant time.

Monday, June 8, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office most of the day. I received a letter from my Nephew Byron O. Colton Jr. saying his mother was very sick. I wrote to him.

[Went to southern Utah for stake conferences, June 11-22.]

Tuesday, June 23, 1908 - Salt Lake City

We reached here at 6:30 a.m. Having traveled 743 miles and attended 21 meetings. I spent most of the day at home.

Friday, June 26, 1908 - Salt Lake City

Today is my fathers birthday. Myself and Wife Sarah F. and Geo. F. Richards & wife went to Ogden and was met by David O. McKay and wife and children with Bro. James Scowcroft and his Auto and taken a ride of 40 miles over Weber County, going up to Huntsville and having a fish dinner at the Hermitage in Ogden Canyon.

We met at 3 p.m. with the Presidency of the stake, L. W. Shurtleff, Chas. Middleton and John Watson. We came to the conclusion that the Weber Stake could best be devided in to three.

We ate supper at David O. McKays and returned home having traveled 112 miles.

Sunday, June 28, 1908 - Clearfield

We took a drive about the County with Bp. Wood at whose home we had stoped over night.

Our Conference was held in the Clearfield Canning Company Ware house.

The Conference Convened at 10:30 a.m. President Jos. H. Grant presididng. There were 1,025 persons present.

Prest. Seymour B. Young who joined us this morning spoke to us an hour on the mission, life and labors and Martyrdom of the Prophet Joseph Smith who was killed 64 years ago yesterday with his brother Hyrum Smith. I spoke on his life work for thirty minutes.

We had an elegant dinner at Bp. Geo. Woods.

2:30 p.m. The general and Local Authoraties were sustained.

Prest. Seymour B. Young continued his discourse on the life of the prophet. Patriarch Silas S. Smith gave a testimony on the mission of Joseph the Prophet. He is the oldest living Kinsman of Joseph Smith, being a first Cousin. I spoke on the succession in the priesthood and talked on Marriage.

There were 1,205 persons present, the largest stake Conference ever held in Davis Co.

Tuesday, June 30, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At the Invitation of Joseph Nelson and Jerry Langford I took a trip on Salt Lake in the Steamer Irene with about forty other persons, among them Gov. J. C. Cutler and R. Cutler, W. S. McCornick, A. W. Davis and Post Master Thomas.

We rode in the boat about 130 miles going to Lucin Cutoff and bird Island, making the travel 156 miles.

Wednesday, July 1, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. President A. H. Lund and all of the Twelve but George A. Smith, C. W. Penrose and A. W. Ivins met in the Temple. President Jos. F. Smith, John R. Winder, Elder Geo. A. Smith and Patriarch John Smith having gone on a trip to Oregon.

The report of the Committee recommending the devision of Weber stake into three was adopted. President Roosevelt having appointed Reed Smoot on a Mission Political to Europe he decided to go.

Saturday, July 4, 1908 - Salt Lake City

The night was a noisy one. The burning of fire crackers by the boys and girls.

I took my wife Josephine and daughters Bessie, Elsie, Arzella and Josephine with a Miss Broberg and two little Miss Leavers and went up City Creek Canyon and spent the day. Making drive of about 20 miles and having a pleasant day beside a shady brook.

Wednesday, July 8, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I met with the members of the Deaf and Dumb Convention and spoke to them for about 15 minutes at Recital in the Tabernacle.

Friday, July 10, 1908 - Juab County

I went to Juab County to Visit the Experiment farm. I was very much pleased with what I saw. We went to Nephi and held a meeting in the Tabernacle. The speakers Consisted of five men, Gov. J. C. Cutler being among them. I also spoke.

Their were about four hundred people went from Salt Lake, Utah and Weber Counties.

We reached home at 11:30 p.m. awfully tired.

Sunday, July 12, 1908 - Salt Lake City

2 p.m. A Temperance Meeting was held in the Tabernacle, Prest. F. M. Lyman presiding. The Tabernacle Choir sang three numbers and a Sunday School Choir one.

Prayer by H. J. Grant. President Lyman Introduced Louis Fuller who spoke. Governor John C. Cutler read a nice paper.

Dr. P. A. Baker spoke 40 minutes on Temperance.

The congregation was a fair one. The day has been very hot.

4 p.m. I met with my Prayer Circle and spoke to them, 13 of the brethren being present.

My son Nicholas G. was ordained a Seventy to day [by] Prest. Jonathan Golden Kimball.

Tuesday, July 14, 1908

At 10:40 [p.m.] I went to the O[regon] Short Line depot and went to bed.

Wednesday, July 15, 1908 - Idaho Falls, Idaho

We reached here at 9 a.m. All of the Members of the Inter Mountain Cement and Brick Co., John C. Sharp, Mathew and Wm. Noal, E. S. Wright and myself, secretary Palmer Sharp and Mr. Keizer. We went to the Plant and spent most of the day trying to start up the machinery. The Man in charge, William P. Sherman had his arm broken by getting entangled in the machinery.

The board held a meeting in the evening having been Joined by Mark Austin. Manager T. R. Cutler Jr. was also with us.

Thus far the work has been well and in a few days will be in full motion making brick.

At 10 p.m. we went to bed at the station.

Saturday, July 18, 1908 - Salt Lake City

Presidents Joseph F. Smith and John R. Winder and party returned from a three weeks trip in Oregon and California.

I spent most of the day in the office of the Presidency going through the routine business. D. O. McKay came in. We talked over the Weber stake Matter. I went to Ogden and Bro. D. O. McKay and I took a drive out west of Ogden to note the line of Devision East and West on 24th Street.

We met President L. W. Shurtliff and Counselors and discussed the matter of officers for the Weber stake.

Wednesday, July 22, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the First Presidency and All of the Twelve but Reed Smoot and C. W. Penrose with Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met in the Temple. Prayer by A. W. Ivins. I was mouth at the altar.

We had considerable business and Reports were made.

Bro. A. W. Ivins and I am to visit Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas.

We all partook of the Sacrament Bro. D. O. McKay blessing it.

The Twelve met and agreed that Ben. E. Rich should go to the Eastern States Mission, Elder Callis to the Southern States Mission, John L. Herrick to the Colorado Mission and Jos. F. Smith Jr. to the North Western States Mission.

Thursday, July 23, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day at the office of the Presidency.

I met with the Directors of the Con. W. & M. Co. board at 3:15 p.m. The reports show a falling off in the Volume of business done in the past six months. I got \$200.00 expense money from Arthur Winter.

At 7:30 p.m. Anthony W. Ivins, S. O. Bennion of the Central States Mission and Myself left for an extended trip through Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas.

Saturday, July 25, Manassa, Colorado

The stock holders of the Mexican Col. and Agricultural Co. [met] and reelected the old board except bro. Helm, bro. Erastus A. Nielson being elected in his place.

The board reelected all of the old officers.

I paid \$50.00 to the Treasurer and he paid to Directors and some small bills and himself.

Tuesday, July 28, 1908 - Independence, Missouri

We reached Independence, Mo. at 10 a.m. and found all well at the Mission house. We took a Carriage and looked over the City. We Saw the Danielson Plow factory. We saw the Moulders to work making castings. We looked into the financial condition and concluded they needed ten thousand dollars soon and Danielson and Bennion Telegraphed to O. P. Miller to send the same at once.

Wednesday, July 29, 1908 - Independence

Elder A. W. Ivins, Prest. S. O. Bennion and Myself went to Gallatin, the County Seat of Davis Co., Mo. We had dinner and hired a team and Drove out to Adam Ondi Ahman. We saw the old home of Lyman Wight and drank out of the old well and the Water was good.

We visited the spot where Prophet Jos. Smith said Adam built an Altar. The people say here it was here Adam was buried. It is a limestone country with hill and valley, the Grande River running through the County. *It well may be called the Garden of Eden.* We offered prayers in the spot that indicated where the Altar stood. W. D. McDonald now owns the Wight farm.

We forded the Grande River in returning to Gallatin and our team balked in the Center of the River but we finally persuaded him to take [us] back to shore.

We returned to Independence about 11 p.m. having had an interesting day.

Saturday, Aug. 1, 1908 - Texarkana to Kelsey, Texas

We reached this place at 8 a.m. and changed to the Cotton Belt Railway. From her[e] we traveled to Kelsey, Upsher Co., Texas. On the road we had a feast of Water Melons.

At 8 p.m. we held meeting.

Bros. S. O. Bennion, Myself and A. W. Ivins spoke. The room was well filled. About 400 people of our faith live here. It is a nice section of the Country.

Thursday, Aug. 6, 1908 - Independence, Missouri

Bros. Ivins, S. O. Bennion and Myself went by Railway 54 miles to Cameron where we took Carriage 11 Miles to Far West, Coldwell Co.

We met Jacob D. Whitmer who took us to the Temple lot. I stood on all four Corners which remain intact. I took a piece from the North East Corner where my Father and Wilford Woodruff were ordained apostles on April 26th, 1836. Heber Kimball was Mouth in ordaining my Father, B. Young in ordaining Wilford Woodruff. It is a beautifull Country.

We returned to Cameron and to Independence.

Tuesday, Aug. 11, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the Presidency part of the day.

We had heavy thunder and lightning with rain in the evening. I paid Deseret Savings bank Principle \$5.00 Interest \$21.00.

Thursday, Aug. 13, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I went to Provo. I found my sister Sarah M. Colton very bad. She has Kidney Trouble and Dropsy has sent in.

Wednesday, Aug. 19, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Presidents office during the forenoon.

In the afternoon I attended the Directors meeting of Zions Coop. M. Institution, Salt Lake Theatre and the Utah Cement and Brick Co. All businesses are doing fair.

Thursday, Aug. 20, 1908 - Salt Lake City

Seventy two Elders were set apart at the Temple annex by J. Golden Kimball and Myself.

I also blest three sisters and four brethren who were going to get genealogy.

Tuesday, Aug. 25, 1908 - Salt Lake City

The day is very hot. I was at the Presidents office part of the day.

My wife Sarah F. and I spent the evening at our Son Ezra Chase Smith. We had a most pleasant time.

Wednesday, Aug. 26, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the Presidency and Prest. F. M. Lyman, Myself and H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Geo. F. Richards, O. F. Whitney and A. W. Ivins and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met in the Temple. Prayer by Prest. Jos. F. Smith. Mouth at the Altar A. W. Ivins. The minutes for the Past two weeks were read and approved. Routine business was gone through with. The question of the Negro Race receiving the Priesthood was discussed and it was decided they could be Baptised but could not receive the priesthood. This has always been the Rule in the church.¹¹

Thursday, Aug. 27, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the Presidents office. The Directors of the Con. W. & M. Co. board met 3:10 p.m.

I went to the Theatre in the evening with Josephine.

Saturday, Aug. 29, 1908 - Provo

I went to Provo City and spent the day with my sisters Sarah M. Colton and Grace L. Cheever. Sarah is very sick.

Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1908 - Salt Lake City

The First Presidency and Myself, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. A. Smith, Geo. F. Richards and O. F. Whitney of the Twelve and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met at 10 a.m. in the Temple. Prayer by Orson F. Whitney. Mouth at the Altar A. H. Lund.

It was agreed that the Rule made in the past and adhered to by all of the former Councils of the church [is] that the Negro Race might be baptised but could not have the Priesthood.

The Deseret News gave me a copy of Whitney's history of Utah.

Tuesday, Sept. 8, 1908 - Salt Lake City

Eleven Elders and two sisters were set apart for Missions.

A brother Anderson and wife to teach school in China being employed by the Chinese government. Another brother and wife are going to Chicago to go to school.

¹¹Prior to 1978 the general rule of the LDS church was that black men of African descent could not hold the church's priesthood, thereby limiting their participation in church ritual. A useful treatment of this particular doctrine is Lester E. Bush, Jr., and Armand L. Mauss, eds., *Neither White Nor Black: Mormon Scholars Confront the Race Issue in a Universal Church* (Salt Lake City: Signature Books, 1984).

Wednesday, Sept. 9, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I attended the meetings of the Home Fire Insurance Co., H. J. Grant and Co., Y.M.M.I.A. board.

I went to Bulfalo Bills wild show.

Thursday, Sept. 10, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I was with the Directors of the Utah National Bank most of the day.

I spent part of the afternoon at the office of the Presidency.

I attended a Republican Primary in the evening.

Friday, Sept. 18, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the office.

I am sixty years old to day. My wife Josephine entertained our Kins People to the number of 50 souls. We had a most agreeable time.

I blest Harvey Fletcher and wife who go to Chicago to school.

Saturday, Sept. 19, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I received word to day of the Death of Blanche Libbey Langford, Daughter of My Uncle Henry Clay Libbey and Nell Thomas Libbey of Littleton, New Hampshire and wife of Robert C. Langford Sept. 4th. She died at Old Orchard, Maine.

Sunday, Sept. 20, 1908 - Salt Lake City

Aunt Bathsheba W. Smith is quite sick.

Tuesday, Sept. 22, 1908 - Salt Lake City

In company with the first Presidency and Presiding Bishopric and Hyrum M. Smith I went up Emmigration [canyon] some seventeen miles with Judge LeGrand Young over his new Railroad. I came down this canyon as a babe in arms in 1849 and had never been back into it until to day. It is a nice canyon.

It is an Electric Railway.

Sunday, Sept. 27, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I was at home until 4:30 p.m. when I went to Provo and had a visit with my sisters Sarah M. Colton and Grace L. Cheever. Sarah is improving in health. Grace is just recovering from her confinement.

At 9 p.m. I left for Albuquerque, New Mexico with about forty others going to the Irrigation Congress.

Wednesday, Sept. 30, 1908 - Albuquerque, New Mexico

We reached here at mid night. Jas. H. Moyle, R. W. Young and I put up at the Meyers house. We attended the Congress.

There are 870 delegates present. The Congress was in full motion and a good spirit was Manifest.

Much discusion was had over the Reclamation Service and other subjects.

Friday, Oct. 2, 1908 - Albuquerque

I spent the whole day at the Congress. I made a short speech in favor of the Dry farming Congress.

Monday, Oct. 5, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. I attended the General Conference. All of the First Presidency And all of the Twelve but C. W. Penrose, The Patriarch, Seven Presidents of the Seventies and Presiding Bishopric were present.

I spoke fourteen Minutes and got excused. At 10 clock R. W. Young and I left for California to attend the Trans Mississippi Congress being held at San Francisco.

I spent the afternoon in reading Carlyles Heroes and Hero worship.

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 1908 - San Francisco

We had a good Rest and the Congress convened at 10 a.m.

The day was spent in Reading Papers and speaking. Gov. J. C. Cutler read a nice Paper on the Conservation of our Resources.

Thursday, Oct. 8, 1908 - San Francisco

The Members of the Congress took a trip around the bay in the Steamer SeaSome.

I presided at the Two meetings of the Congress to day. Some fine Papers were [read] and nice speeches made.

Secretary Arthur F. Francis says there are 12 hundred delegates present.

Friday, Oct. 9, 1908 - San Francisco

The greater part of the forenoon was spent in an Autoride along the ocean beach and among the sand Hills through the Golden Gate Park and the Presidio.

2 p.m. I attended the meeting. Prof. Starr Jordan of Stanford University gave us a great lecture about the habbits of Fish. We had a nice paper from Mr. Jensen of Utah on the Creamery business.

Saturday, Oct. 10, 1908 - San Francisco

I attended the Two sessions of the Congress to day.

The Report of the Commttee on Resolutions was adopted after some hot debate.

The Parsol Post Resolution was voted down.

The Resolution in favor of Woman Suffrage presented by Mrs. Craig was passed. I spoke in favor of it.

I left before the adjournment, paid my bill at the St. Francis Hotel. At 6:20 p.m. we left for home fully satisfied with our trip.

Monday, Oct. 12, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I reached home at 9 a.m. having traveled about 1,734 miles attending 9 meetings.

I heard Senator Beveridge of Indiana speak on Politics at the Theatre tonight to a crowded house.

Saturday, Oct. 17, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I took my son Glen G. to Provo with me to day. My sisters S. M. Colton & Grace L. Cheever are very much improved in health.

Thursday, Oct. 22, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the first Presidency and Prest. Francis M. Lyman, myself, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. Albert Smith, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay and A. W. Ivins of the Twelve met at the Presidents office. Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs also present. We cleared some business left over from yesterday. Stake Presidents Nephi Morris and Frank Y. Taylor joined us. We talked over political matters. Some Routine business was gone through with.

Sunday, Nov. 1, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At the Temple fast meeting at 10 a.m. Prayer by Bro. Wallace. Some good singing by the Temple Choir on Pages 73, 434 and 36. Seventeen Testimonies were borne. Prest. Jos. F. Smith made a strong talk on the duties of the Saints.

At 2 p.m. 17th Ward fast meeting.

Good singing in all numbers.

Prayer by Duncan McAllister. Nine children were blest. Three children was Confirmed. Nine Testamonies were borne.

Monday, Nov. 2, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I went to Ogden and returned traveling 72 miles. I got from David Eccles \$500.00.

I heard Bp. Iverson and Nephi Morris talk Politics in the 16th Amusement Hall to night to a large crowd.

Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1908 - Salt Lake City

The Nation and State and Co. has gone Republican. William Howard Taft is President.

Thursday, Nov. 5, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I paid for Josephine and myself \$68.13 in Taxes to day.

I also paid on Mrs. Jennie Whipples note \$100.00.

I spent the evening at my son Winslow F. new home. It is a nice place.

Friday, Nov. 6, 1908 - Salt Lake City

In the evening Josephine and I attended a sociable given by the Teachers of the Parents Class in the Sunday School. We had a very pleasant time. About one hundred of the brethren and sisters were present.

My daughter Elsie had twelve spasms in 24 hours.

Saturday, Nov. 7, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at the office of the Presidency.

I sent to Emil Wolf fifty cents in Postage stamp to pay for repair of Toupe.

Monday, Nov. 9, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office. John M. Young was granted priviledge of having his priesthood restored to him. John Groesbeck[s] wife Ann was told by President Jos. F. Smith that John had not forfeited his wife and family through his failure to wear his [temple] garments in his working among bad men in the mines.

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 1908 - Salt Lake City and Provo

I was with the Presidency during the forenoon.

At 2 p.m. President F. M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, Orson F. Whitney, Seymour B. Young and Myself set apart Fifteen Elders and one sister for missions.

In company with Prests. Jos. F. Smith and A. H. Lund, Willard Young and Susa Young Gates I went to Provo to attend a board meeting of the Trustees of the Brigham Young University. I put up with Prest. Geo. H. Brimhall. The board [met] in Jesse Knights office at 7:30 p.m. Present of the members of the board Jos. F. Smith, David John, Jesse Knight, Reed Smoot, W. H. Dusenberry, Willard Young, Susa Y. Gates, J. E. Page and Myself. Present not of the board Anthon H. Lund, Geo. H. Brimhall and J. B. Keeler.

We passed Resolution in favor of organizing a College Class of Teachers and to ask the Church board of Education to put it at Provo.

Sunday, Nov. 22, 1908 - Salt Lake City

Myself and wives went to H. J. Grant whos birthday it is and spent the evening. About 50 persons were present. We had a nice time.

Thursday, Nov. 26, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I went to Lehi to attend the unvaling of a monument to the first settlers of the Town. Services were held in the Tabernacle. The house was well filled with old Timmers and their decendants.

Friday, Dec. 4, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I went with John M. Cannon of Granite Stake to South Cottonwood Ward where we investigated the Bishopric of that ward. We are satisfied that they obeyed the Words of Wisdom. We held meeting at 7:30 p.m. We had good singing. Prayer by C. Stephenson.

John M. Cannon, Jesse Wheeler and I spoke. 116 persons were present out of a possible 534.

[Went to La Grande, Oregon, for conference, December 12-14, then to Richfield, December 18-21.]

Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1908 - Salt Lake City

The following members of the Twelve and Seven Presidents of the Seventies were to gether most of the [day]. Prest. F. M. Lyman, Myself, H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay and Anthony W. Ivins.

Of the Seven Presidents, Seymour B. Young, Brigham H. Roberts, J. G. Kimball, Rulon S. Wells, Joseph W. McMurrin and Chas. H. Hart. We were together about 9 hours and all talked and some many times. The question was shall the Seventies Quorums continue to hold their meeting on the Sabath day.

Friday, Dec. 25, 1908 - Salt Lake City

I drove Sarah F. out in the Cutter to see all of our Married children.

I ate my Christmas Dinner at Josephines. We had Turkey.

Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1908 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the First Presidency and All of the Twelve but C. W. Penrose and D. O. McKay met in the Temple. I offered the opening Prayer. Reed Smoot was mouth at the Altar. Minutes read by Secretary Gibbs. Routine business was gone through with reports made.

H. J. Grant, A. S. Ivins and I was appointed a committee to look over Orson Pratt's works.

Friday, Jan. 1, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Myself and wives went out to the home of Esther Martin Smith to see Herbert E. Van Dam and my Niece Lillian Smith married.

The ceremony had taken place before we got there, Bp. Charles P. Margetts performing the Ceremony.

Twenty eight of my family were together this afternoon. We had a nice lunch and a most agreeable time singing, visiting and speaking.

Saturday, Jan. 2, 1909 - Salt Lake City

My home at 23 N. West Temple St. was quarantined for small Pox today, It being claimed that my son Winslow wife and child had been exposed to that dread disease. Fortunately I was away from home.

Sunday, Jan. 3, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Twenty six leading men met and voted to stand by Prohibition.

Monday, Jan. 4, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Rudger Clawson and I with Historian Andrew Jenson visited his fire proof vault and looked over his books.

Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Ten of the Twelve and six of the seven Presidents of the Seventy met and talked over the Word of Wisdom. All agreed to live it.

Monday, Jan. 11, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I was at home most of the day. My son Nicholas G. had a son born to him on Saturday about 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 4 p.m. I baptised Prest. Francis M. Lyman for his father Amasa M. Lyman. Confirmed by Prest. Jos. F. Smith.

We received the sad news that Father Lorin Farr had died of heart failure at the Ogden hot springs. Geo. A. went to Ogden.

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Ben E. Rich and wife Diana and Myself and Sarah F. went to Ogden. We saw Father L. Farr who looks well. I returned home at 2 p.m. and at 3:15 met with the home Fire Board and the H. J. Grant and Co. board.

I met with the Y.M.M.I.A. board.

Thursday, Jan. 14, 1909 - Salt Lake City

The newly elected Directors of the Utah National Bank met and elected officers. W. S. McCornick, President, T. R. Cutler, Vice President, Badger, Secretary. The executive Committee are to be McCornick, Cutler and O. P. Miller.

Sunday, Jan. 17, 1909 - Ogden

At 10 a.m. I attended the Weber Stake Conference. Only one meeting was held, President Lewis Shurtleff presiding.

At 2 p.m. the Funeral of Patriarch Lorin Farr was held. Bp. Olsen of the Third ward presiding.

Five numbers of splendid Music by the Choir.

Prayer by C. F. Middleton. Mrs. Ross gave several readings.

The speakers were Jos. Parry, Lewis W. Shurtliff, Prest. Joseph F. Smith, Patriarch D. McKay, Mr. F. J. Kiesel, Moses Thatcher, Geo. Albert Smith and Bp. Olson. All bore Testimony of the sterling worth of the deceased. Benediction by Bp. C. W. Nibley. He was buried in the Cemetery in the south west Corner of the lot and of the Cemetery beside his dead wives.

Everything went off in good shape. All being well satiated. One of Gods Noblest sons has finished a long and Glorious carier on earth.

Thursday, Jan. 21, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Myself and wives Sarah and Josephine spent the evening with Isabel Martin Smith, my brother Charles Warrens wife at her home.

Her daughter Ethel Snow and her husband and Grand daughter Miss U. Knight were also present. We had a nice supper and spent an agreeable evening In memory of C. W. Smith birthday 60 years of age on the 16th day of Jany. had he lived. He has been dead 6 years.

Friday, Jan. 22, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the day at the office of the Presidency.

At 2 p.m. I attended the funeral of J. D. Wood, who was killed in the Oregon Short line Railway depot. He was a leading man. He had no religion but was of the Masonic order. The services were held in the Masonic Temple. They were well attended by all classes of people.

Sunday, Jan. 31, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Funeral of Enoch B. Trip at the 16th Ward at 1 p.m.

He leaves 4 living wives and 16 children.

I went to the Hospital and administered to Ezra Smith and Lydia Thatcher.

Tuesday, Feb. 2, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 8 p.m. I met with the stock holders of the Knitting Co. The business is in a bad shape. The old board was elected.

Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Most intense feeling is growing up in the Legislature over the question of Prohibition of the Liquor traffic.

My nephew Esdras Smith is very sick.

Thursday, Feb. 4, 1909 - Salt Lake City

It commenced storming in the night and is snowing like wrath this morning.

I was at the Presidents office most of the day. We received a Telegram from President Francis M. Lyman that he was sitting up and hoped to be home about the 15th of the month.

Monday, Feb. 8, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I reached home at 9 a.m. and found all well. I attended seven meetings and traveled 456 miles.

I attended a meeting of the stock-holders of the Con. W. & M. Co. The old board was reelected. It was decided to increase the Capitol stock to one million dollars. It was voted to retire the common stock and allow the difference of five dollars between the preferred and Common Stock.

Tuesday, Feb. 9, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon at the office of the Presidency.

The Directors of the Utah Mexican Rubber Co. met at 3 p.m. Supt. Benj. Cluff made reports as to the Condition of the Rubber field and made some Explanations in regard to the Banana and Pine Apple.

Patriarch Hyrum Smith would have been 109 years old today.

The old social hall having been reneved an Old Time party was given with a nice dinner. About 10[0] people were present.

Music, short speaches, Singing and dancing in the old way plain Cotillions or Quadrills. Twelve persons present over 75 and und[er] 87 years of age.

Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1909 - Salt Lake City

It is quite cold today.

At 10 a.m. All of the Presidency, Myself, H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney and D. O. McKay of the Twelve, Patriarch John Smith and secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met in the Temple. Prayer by Rudger Clawson. I was Mouth at the Altar.

Reports were made. Routine business was cleared away and some warm discussions were entered into.

I met with the Home Fire insurance board, Heber J. Grant & Co. board, Y.M.M.I.A. board, The Cement & Brick Co. board.

Thursday, Feb. 11, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I called upn Esdras Smith at the Hospital. He is very sick.

I met with the Directors of the Utah National Bank at 10:30 a.m.

At 3 p.m. the Directors of the Con. W. & M. Co. met and organized.

Friday, Feb. 12, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Esdras Smith is better to day.

The daughters of the revolution with escorts met at my son George Alberts to the tune of 58 persons. Lincoln birthday was celebrated.

Saturday, Feb. 13, 1909 - Salt Lake City

It snowed most of the day. Several gentlemen met and decided to organize the Tabasco Utah development Co.

Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I attended the meetings of the Theatre Directors and also the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. board. I also met with Sunday School Union board.

Ex Governor Proctor of Vermont and Wife & daughter were in the City to day. A recital was given them in the Tabernacle.

Thursday, Feb. 18, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office during the morning hours.

The afternoon and evening was spent at the L.D.S. Hospital. My nephew Esdras Smith has been dying all day and finally at 11:30 p.m. past quietly away and was sent to Jos. W. Taylors undertaking establishment.

Friday, Feb. 19, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I signed the Incorporation papers of the Tabasco-Utah Promotion Co.

I met with the Directors of the Utah National bank.

Esdras Smith was taken to his home to day.

Saturday, Feb. 20, 1909 - Salt Lake City

George Albert and I selected the spot on Fathers burying ground where we would bury Esdras.

Sunday, Feb. 21, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at home. Visiting during the afternoon and evening with Esther Martin Smith and Hyrum S. Groesbeck.

Monday, Feb. 22, 1909 - Salt Lake City

The funeral of Esdras Martin Smith was held in the Sugar Ward meeting house, Bp. John Whittaker presiding.

We took a car to the Grave Yard carrying the Corpse and 54 passengers. The pall bearers were six of his brother deacons.

Bp. E. F. Parry dedicated the grave. He was buried just west of the grave of his grand Mother Hannah M. Smith.

[Went to Cheyenne, Wyoming, for Dry Farming Congress meetings, February 24-25.]

Friday, Feb. 26, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I reached home at 9 a.m. having traveled 1040 miles and attended three meetings of the Dry Farming Congress.

Cost sleeper Fare	\$7.50
Hotel	3.35
Meals	5.15
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My son Glenn is still away from home. He has written to his Mother that he is at Pocatello, Idaho.

Monday, March 1, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I returned home [from stake conference in Payson] finding son George Albert very sick.

The Inter Mountain Cement & Brick Co. stockholders met. They lost money last year.

Thursday, March 4, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I paid on Sewerage for Aunt Josephine place \$440.33.

I attended the funeral of Sister Mary Minkley 90 years 5 months old at the 22nd Ward Meeting house. Six of us spoke and all gave her an excelent name.

Friday, March 5, 1909 - Pocatello, Idaho, and Salt Lake City

I reached here [Pocatello] at 6 a.m. I found my son Glenn and took him home with me traveling 340 miles.

Myself and Wife Sarah F. spent the evening at Wm. N. Williams with the Governor Wm. Spry and about 60 other guests. We had a very pleasant time.

Sunday, March 14, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I spent the afternoon at home suffering with headache.

Monday, March 15, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I have the Le grippe.

The Directors of the Idaho Sugar Co. met twice to day. I was most miserable. We had a conference with David Eccles and Judge Henry Rolapp over the building a sugar factory in Sevier Co.

Tuesday, March 16, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At Josephines sick. Dr. H. B. Lund is attending me.

Sunday, March 21, 1909 - Salt Lake City

My eyes have been so bad that can not do any reading.

Monday, March 22, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I walked over to Sarah but only staid a short time I felt so bad.

Tuesday, March 23, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I am some better to day.

Wednesday, March 24, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I went home to Sarah a little improved in my health.

Friday, March 26, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Geo. T. O'Dell, Jas. H. Moyle and myself who had been appointed committee from the Con. W. & M. Co. Directors to confer with Col. Thos. E. Weber about Railroad rates met and talked the Matter with him.

Saturday, March 27, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Utah Mexican Rubber Co. office. Also at the Presidents office part of the day. I sold six shares to day for \$1,560.00. I paid Nicholas \$50.00 for his work.

Sunday, March 28, 1909 - Salt Lake City

It rained all night and most of the day.

I attended the 17th ward fast meeting. Sixteen testamonies were borne. I blest my grandson who was born January 9th, 1909. He is the son of Nicholas G. and Florence Gay. He was named Gerald Gay. I also blest Raymond Vandertoom Kooyman.

Friday, April 2, 1909 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and F. M. Lyman, Myself, H. J. Grant, R. Clawson, H. M. Smith, Geo. A. Smith, Geo. F. Richards and A. W. Ivins [met] with the auditing committee. We Examined the Reports of the finances of the Church and approved the expenditures.

Sunday, April 4, 1909 - Salt Lake City

The General Conference Convened at 10 a.m. All of the First Presidency, All of the 12 but Reed Smoot and Chas. W. Penrose, All of the 7 Presidents but Geo. Reynolds, All of the Presiding Bishopric and the Patriarch. 79 annual Conference.

The building was jamed full and also the Assembly Hall.

Thursday, April 8, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Forty two Elders were set apart for Missions.

Twelve persons were blest who go abroad as Visitors.

Saturday, April 10, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I went to the Theatre with Josephine in the evening. It stormed some to day. I was elected a Director of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co.

Tuesday, April 13, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Met with the Directors of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. at 10 a.m. At 12 noon Prest. F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, Geo. F. Richards and myself listened to some complaints made by C. W. Nibley, Isaac Smith and Hansen against the Elk Coal Company as to their methods of doing business.

Thursday, April 15, 1909 - Salt Lake City

My brother Charles W. wife Esther was or is 47 years old to day. About 30 of our relatives went out to her home taking a nice present of Dishes and spending the afternoon. We had a nice time.

Sunday, April 18, 1909 - Provo

The stake Conference at 10 a.m. The Stake Presidency presiding.

President J. B. Keeler spoke words of Welcome and gave a nice review of the Conditions of the stake.

I spoke on Marriage and Divorce for 35 minutes.

President Anthon H. Lund followed on the Moral Conditions that should exist.

Tuesday, April 20, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Office of the Presidency with a Committee of Citizens. It was decided to build a Hotel on the Tithing off[ice] Corner. The land to [be] Valued at \$750.00 dollars a foot 225 feet on South Temple St.

Thursday, April 22, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Francis M. Lyman, Elders Geo. F. Richards, H. J. Grant and myself continued our Consideration of the Elk Coal Co. matter.

Sunday, April 25, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day between Sarahs and Josephines reading.

At 10 p.m. Sarah and [I] went to the San Pedro depot and went to bed.

Tuesday, April 27, 1909 - Ocean Park, California

We reached here at 8 a.m. John Acomb and our son George met us and we went on to Ocean Park. We had a nice day on the sandy beach.

Thursday, April 29, 1909 - Ocean Park

I have spent the day reading, sleeping, eating and walking on the shore of the ocean and on the Pier.

Friday, April 30, 1909 - Ocean Park

It is a marvel to me how much I can sleep and how I want to tool about. I finished reading the life of the Empress Josephine.

Saturday, May 1, 1909 - Ocean Park

We went to Hollywood and witnessed a splendid floral display. Autos and Carriages decorated with all kinds of flowers. We spent about five hours there. A large number of people were present.

Sunday, May 2, 1909 - Ocean Park

I went to Los Angeles and attended the fast meeting and spoke in Testimony with others. I called upon my Cousin Mrs. Crockwell and with President Jos. E. Robinson and a Bro. Nelson and we administered to Bro. Crockwell who is sick with the dropsy.

Tuesday, May 4, 1909 - Ocean Park

We saw the fishermen draw their seines and pull in a large number of fish both good and bad.

Thursday, May 6, 1909 - Ocean Park

At home reading and writing all day except a walk for a short time on the Beach.

Friday, May 7, 1909 - San Diego

Prest. J. E. Robinson, John Acomb and wife, George A. and Sarah F. and I went to San Diego traveling a part of the Coast. We put up at the Burrup Hotel.

Tuesday, May 11, 1909 - Ocean Park

I spent the day reading David Copperfield and walking on the beach.

Wednesday, May 12, 1909 - Ocean Park

I got to work catching clams and was caught by the Tide and given a thorough soaking up to my knees.

I walked about the City part of the day. I spent the ballance of the time reading.

Friday, May 14, 1909 - Ocean Park

I received a letter from Josephine she says all is well. I wrote to Josephine, Glenn, Winslow, Don and Chase. We took a salt bath at the Sanatorium. George is doing nicely.¹²

¹² This is the first mention of a long illness of George Albert Smith, the exact nature of which is not made clear. George Albert spent much of the next two years regaining his health, spending some time in Ocean Park, some at Saltair, and some at the home of friends in Salt Lake City trying the "fresh air" treatment.

Saturday, May 15, 1909 - Ocean Park

I received a letter from George F. Gibbs acknowledging the receipt of one from me and suggesting that I was needed at home. In the afternoon all of our party went to Redondo Beach where we met and had an elegant Fish dinner of eight courses with Mr. Joseph E. Koefli and wife and son at the Redondo Hotel.

Sunday, May 16, 1909 - Ocean Park

My wife Sarah and John Acomb and myself went to Los Angeles where we attended the Sunday School and meeting. I spoke at both. The Sunday school has an attendance of about 120, enroled 145.

Mr. Joseph E. Koefli took us a ride in his auto in the San Gabriel and Pasadena Valleys. We saw many beautiful plantations and homes. Two of our tyres blew up. We traveled by Auto 52 miles by rail 28 miles. We returned home and had a good dinner.

Monday, May 17, 1909 - Ocean Park

I took my last strole along the beach for this trip. I left at 7 p.m. for home going to Los Angeles and then taking 8 p.m. train on Salt Lake Route.

Wednesday, May 26, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of Z.C.M.I.

At 10 p.m. I went to the San Pedro L.A. and Salt Lake Railway depot.

Friday, May 28, 1909 - Los Angeles

We reached here at 10 a.m. Bot our sleepers to Phoenix, Arizona, and went out to Ocean Park to see George and my wife Sarah. They were absent from Hart Street so we returned to Los Angeles and at 12 noon left for the south. We came near missing our train.

Tuesday, June 1, 1909 - Mesa, Arizona

All of the members of the Presidency of the Stake and Hy. M. Smith and Myself went up to the great Diverson dam on Salt River. It is one thousand feet long. We went out in bro. Frank T. Pomeroy's Auto. During this day we have rode in the Auto about 40 miles. It is very hot being near 100 in the Sun. We called upon Russel Teasdale and administered to him.

We held a Counsel with the Stake Presidency and the Bishops of Mesa and Alma Wards in regard to amusements. We went to the Theatre in the evening and had pleasant time.

Wednesday, June 2, 1909 - Mesa and Thatcher, Arizona

I received a letter from my wife Sarah. She and George were fairly well.

Friday, June 4, 1909 - Thatcher

I had a very good nights rest. Prest. A. Kimball took us a ride through the fields to Solomon the County Seat of Graham Co. The grain and Hay stands forth in all of its richness. The birds are singing. The sunshine is glorious. Fine horses and Many fat sleek Cattle. We visited the new academy built of Cement blocks. I wrote to Sarah F. and George Albert.

[Attended stake conferences in Arizona and left for Los Angeles.]

Tuesday, June 8, 1909 - Yuma, Arizona, to Los Angeles

We reached Los Angeles at 1:30 and went on to Ocean Park. I found Sarah well and George improving.

Wednesday, June 9, 1909 - Ocean Park, California

I spent the day reading in heart Throbs.

Friday, June 11, 1909 - on train

I spent the day reading in the Book of Mormon.

Saturday, June 12, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I reached here at 6:30 a.m. having traveled upon this trip 3,113 miles and attended 12 meetings. I found all fairly well.

I went to the office and found all well.

I went out to Saltair with Prest. Smith and Winder and others. We examined the salt works of the Inland Salt Company.

Tuesday, June 15, 1909 - Salt Lake City

24 Elders were set apart for Missions by Myself, H. M. Smith, Rudger Clawson, A. W. Ivins, S. B. Young, J. G. Kimball and J. W. McMurrin.

[Went to Idaho for conference at Rockland, Oneida County.]

Sunday, June 20, 1909 - Rockland, Idaho

At 10 a.m. Conference Convened. Sunday schools in the control. Singing by school, Hope of Israel. About 450 persons present. Prayer by Noah S. Pond. Singing, Zions is growing.

The memory gems were repeated but were not very successful. John H. Tolman reported Sunday Schools. Prest. A. H. Hart, Wm. A. Heyle and I spoke.

The children sang God speed the Right And What Shall be your Reward. Benediction by Thomas L. Cox.

Monday, June 21, 1909 - American Falls, Idaho, and Salt Lake City

I left [American Falls] about 3:15 a.m. Went to bed reached home about 10 a.m. I was so done out I did no work. I traveled 436 miles and attended 6 meetings.

Wednesday, June 23, 1909 - Salt Lake City

President Jos. F. Smith, John R. Winder, Francis M. Lyman and Myself, H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, George F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay, A. W. Ivins, Patriarch John Smith and secretary Geo. F. Gibbs were present. I offered Prayer and the Benediction. George F. Richards was mouth at the Altar. We were together four hours. The President read us a threatening letter he had received.

I married at 11:30 to day Morrell Newton Farr and Jean Spencer.

I attended their reception for a short time in the evening.

Monday, June 28, 1909 - Portage, Box Elder County

Bro. Wm. H. Gibbs and I went to Washakie Ward and attended the funeral of a ten year old boy Tommy Timbimboo, son of Yeagas and Yemke Timbimboo, Indians. Bp. Ward and an Indian and Bro. Gibbs and I spoke. The singing was in Indian. We had a fine dinner at the Bishops.

Tuesday, June 29, 1909 - Pocatello Valley, Box Elder County

I spent the day looking over the Valley it is very fine.

I saw gang plows being pulled by Oxen and one gang being pulled by an engine. It is a splendid Country. Jesse M. [Smith] took myself and two other men to Portage. On the way we had two run away scrapes with the horses.

Wednesday, June 30, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I returned to my home having been gone 4 days attended 8 meetings and traveled 265 miles, 18 in an Auto, the ballance in Wagon and Railway.

I bought 1 pair of shoes and two shirts for Glenn \$3.50.

Thursday, July 1, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I bot 12 shares of Home Fire Insurance Co. stock paid \$1,160 for it. I borrowed \$2,000.00 from Deseret Savings bank.

I paid Zions Savings Bank and Trust Co. Interest \$270.00.

Friday, July 2, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day in the office of the first Presidency. I mailed to Geo. Albert my son some papers and checks.

I wrote to my wife Sarah.

Monday, July 5, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At the musical exercise at 12 noon I spoke to about 12 hundred people on Patriotism and love of Country in the Tabernacle.

At 10 a.m. Francis M. Lyman, Myself, H. J. Grant, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay and Anthony

W. Ivins of the Twelve met and spent the day in speaking to each other. All had a very fine spirit.

Thursday, July 8, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I went for a drive and on York street colided with the street Car and my buggy was mashed up badley. My wife Josephine and my Grand Son Smith Pond and myself just escaped with our lives from the wreck of our buggy by the cars.

Saturday, July 10, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Josephine and I accompanied our Son in Law Moses Alonzo Pond to Richmond, Cache Co., Utah to attend the funeral of his mother. Myself and wife put up with Sister M. W. Merrill, 1st wife of the Apostle.

Tuesday, July 13, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 3:20 a.m. my daughter Sarah Ann Pond gave birth to a 9 pound son. All well.

Wednesday, July 14, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Presidents Joseph F. Smith and John A. Winder and of the Twelve Francis M. Lyman, Myself, H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney and A. W. Ivins and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met in the Presidency room of the Temple. Prayer by Prest. F. M. Lyman. Mouth at the Altar A. W. Ivins.

We went through a variety of business.

A report is out that some marrying of the unlawful kind [polygamy] is being done. F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant and I were appointed a committee to look into the matter.

At 6 p.m. F. M. Lyman, myself, H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Geo. F. Richards and A. W. Ivins met and examined ourselves as to our action regarding [line not legible] counseling in regard to Marriage. All answered they had advised against it.

Friday, July 16, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I atended a Banquet of our sisters at Saltair given to a Delegation of Ladies from the International Congress of Women. Some 27 nations were represented. We had a nice spread. Emmeline B. Wells presided. I spoke words of welcome. Rabbi Freund spoke. Several Ladies made responses.

I got home about twelve o clock.

Tuesday, July 20, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I issued my son Nicholas G. a check for \$1,300.00 to pay bills on his house. We received word this morning that Sarah will be back tomorrow. We received a letter from Nathaniel L. from Littleton New Hampshire where he was visiting my Uncle Henry C. Libbey.

I wrote to George Albert and Glenn G.

Wednesday, July 21, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Prest. Joseph F. Smith, F. M. Lyman, myself, H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay and A. W. Ivins of the Twelve, Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs were present. Prayer by David O. McKay. Mouth at the altar Rudger Clawson. Reports were made by all. Some correspondence were read. We voted to clean up the Temple.

At 4 p.m. All the Twelve who met in the Morning again met and F. F. Hintze and Musser met with us and we talked over [marriage] sealing matters.

My Wife Sarah F. returned from California where she had been 84 days [staying with George Albert].

Thursday, July 22, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Heber J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay and A. W. Ivins of the Twelve spent the day examining into matters pertaining to recent reported Marriages.

Friday, July 23, 1909 - Salt Lake City

The brethren of the 12 who were together yesterday met at 10 a.m. James G. Duffy, Jas. Hy. Grant and Patriarch Judson Tolman were before us. They all claim that they had [?] and done no mischief. After spending the forenoon with these brethren and learning nothing we adjourned subject to call of Prest. F. M. Lyman.

Saturday, July 24, 1909 - Salt Lake City

We spent the forenoon at the office with Prest. Jos. F. Smith. At home during the afternoon. I took Josephine and the children out to Windermere for a short time.

Sunday, July 25, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Elsie had a bad day yesterday and a very bad night. I[t] continued to day and tonight.

I went to the Tabernacle to hear Mr. Wheeler lecture on Prohibition.

Thursday, July 29, 1979 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office all day with President Jos. F. Smith.

Friday, Aug. 6, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office part of the day. I got \$100.00 from the Sugar Co. to pay my expenses to the Irrigation Congress at Spokane, Washington.

Gov. Spry appointed me to go to Denver to attend the Trans-Mississippi C. Congress.

Thursday, Aug. 12, 1909 - Spokane, Washington

At the afternoon meeting I spoke 20 minutes on Utah and the Labor of Brigham Young. At 3:30 p.m. R. W. Young and I left for home. The time was spent in reading.

Saturday, Aug. 14, 1909 - Ogden and Salt Lake City

I got of at Ogden and met Ben L. Rich and Qualified as Administrator of Nancy B. Farris estate. I gave bonds for \$2,700.00. James Pingree and John Wilson my Sureties. I came on home at noon.

I bought a sleeper ticket through to Denver. President Jos. F. Smith has gone to Star Valley, Wyoming. Prest. Francis M. Lyman has gone to Canada. The other members of the 12 are scattered all over the land. I had letters from George A. and Nathaniel L. my sons.

Sunday, Aug. 15, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 7:20 a.m. I left for Denver, Colo. I rode in a Tourist sleeper all the way. It is very hot.

Monday, Aug. 16, 1909 - Cheyenne, Wyoming, and Denver

I reached Denver Colo. at 8:10 a.m. and put up at the Albany Hotel. It is very hot to day.

I met with the Executive Committee of the [Trans-Mississippi Commercial] Congress.

Tuesday, Aug. 17, 1909 - Denver

I went to Denver with the brethren at the mission in the evening. We held a short meeting. About 50 person were present. John T. Caine and I spoke.

The Congress held an evening session.

Wed., Aug. 18, 1909 - Denver

At 10 a.m. Congress convened. Prest. Thos. Walsh presiding. Resolutions were Introduced. Gifford Pinchot spoke as did John W. Noble of Missouri.

The Congress as a body went out to Wolhurst the Country home of President T. F. Walsh. There were 14 car loads of People. We were Royally entertained. It is a most beautiful place. Coffee, Lemonade, Sandwichs, Cake and Ice cream went the Round, all seemed most happy.

Thursday, Aug. 19, 1909 - Denver

The Congress was given over to the receiving of Resolutions and Reading Papers and making speeches.

I presided during most of the session. Col. Ike Pryor of Texas the ballance of the time.

2 p.m. after some speaches The Question of the Next Congress was taken and San Antonio, Texas was selected.

I presided at the 8 o'clock meeting. It was adjourned on account of the fire works. I went to the fire works with Dr. Bartlett. It was a fine display.

Friday, Aug. 20, 1909 - Denver

I paid my bill at the hotel and went to the Union Depot. Prest. John L. Herrick met me and we talked over Mission Matters a short time. I gave him ten dollars to pay for Badges and gave the Elders each a little.

At 7 a.m. I left for home by way of Cheyenne, Wyo. and Montpelier, Idaho. The day was spent in reading Thos. Dixon Jr. book The Traitor.

Saturday, Aug. 21, 1909 - Montpelier, Idaho

I reached here at 2 a.m. and went to the Burgoyne hotel and went to bed and at 7 a.m. got up and had breakfast. Was met by Joseph C. Rich and taken to Paris. I put up at Bro. J. N. Stucki. I met H. J. Grant here. To day is the 100th Anniversary of Apostle Charles Colson Rich.

His decendants number to day 352 souls Children and Grand Children and Gt. Grand Children and Gt. Gt. Grand Children. The day was spent in two meetings in the Tabernacle, a Banquet in the Ward meeting [house] and A concert in the Tabernacle in the evening.

225 Souls sat down to the Banquet.

Three of the wives of C. C. Rich are living, the Eldest 80 years of [age]. The speakers were Sam Rich, Geo. Osmond and Myself. Prest. Sheppard led the Congragational Singing. I blest two babies Joseph C. Rich and Zina G. Rich. H. J. Grant also blest a baby.

At the afternoon gathering Wm. Budge, Ben L. Rich, Ezra Rich, Amasa Rich, Geo. Q. Rich and H. J. Grant spoke. A fine Concert was given in the Tabernacle.

Every one rendered their parts well.

Sunday, Aug. 22, 1909 - Paris, Idaho

2 p.m. Singing Come, Come Ye Saints. Prayer by Samuel Mathews. Anthem Sung Joy to the World. The speakers were two of Elder C. C. Richs wives, Emeline Grene and Harriet and his sons Hyrum S. and Wm. L. Rich and David P. Rich and Gt. Grand Son James Lepford Rich. All talked well and with a good spirit.

I spoke upon the life work of the Pioneers and both men and women.

Wed., Aug. 25, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Presidents John R. Winder and Joseph F. Smith, Myself, H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, David O. McKay, A. W. Ivins of the Twelve and Secretary George F. Gibbs returned.

Prayer by A. W. Ivins. Mouth at the altar David O. McKay

Much talk on the Marriage Question.

My Wife Sarah F. and I went to Logan to attend the funeral of Moses Thatcher. We put up at his home.

Thursday, Aug. 26, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Mrs. Lettie Thatcher, Georgia Snow Thatcher and the children of his Clayton wife were in the home to night.

At 2 p.m. the funeral of Moses Thatcher was held in the Tabernacle. The building was filled to suffocation. The singing by the choir was fine.

Prayer by George Barber. I spoke first. Newell W. Kimball followed. Brigham H. Roberts spoke very intensely and to my mind quite defiantly. Benediction by Bp. B. M. Lewis. Bro. M. Thatcher was the father of 16 children and 21 grand children. The floral display was immense.¹³

It is said 150 carriages followed his remains to the Cemetery. The Dedicatory prayer was offered at the grave by Lyman R. Martineau. We spent the evening at the home visiting with the family.

Saturday, Aug. 28, 1909 - Salt Lake City

My son George Albert and his wife and children returned from California to day. George had an accident that nearly cost him his life by drowning at Ocean Beach or Park. He is quite poorly.

Tuesday, Aug. 31, 1909 - Farmington

I went to Farmington and spoke to a meeting of the people who are trying to arrange to build a Reservoir on the Weber River. R. W. Young, Willard Young, Governor Wm. Spry and others. President Joseph H. Grant presided. We had singing and Recitations.

Wednesday, Sept. 1, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the First Presidency and all of the Twelve but George Albert Smith, C. W. Penrose and David O. McKay [met]. Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs were present.

¹³The *Salt Lake Tribune* reported on August 27, 1909, that B. H. Roberts shouted at the top of his voice in his talk at the funeral of Moses Thatcher: "You can't rob him of what he has done. What if he did make mistakes? All human beings make them, but in comparison with the brilliancy of his record for the church, his mistakes sink into insignificance. He bore witness of the truth by suffering. In the days of his sorrow and trouble, men set a price upon his membership in the church and he paid it."

Prayer by Rudger Clawson. Mouth at the altar Prest. Francis M. Lyman.

Marriage question was considered. Routine business was gone through with.

Sunday, Sept. 5, 1909 - Brigham City [stake conference]

Conference Convened at 10 a.m. in the Sunday School session, 1037 persons being present. The Sunday School sang, some recitations were giving, some speaking in which I took part.

At 12 noon we held a short meeting and talked to the Presidency and Bishops on the Marriage Question.

We had elegant Dinner at Patriarch Stohl.

At 8 p.m. The young People met in Conference.

We had some excelent singing and readings and speaking. 800 people were present. I spoke for 45 minutes and enjoyed great Liberty.

The spirit of all of the meetings was of the best.

Tuesday, Sept. 7, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I have spent most of the day at Home. My son George is quite poorly.

I listened to Mayor David A. Rose of Milwauke, Wis. lecture on Temperance, he taking a stand against Prohibition and Local Option. He favored High License in the Liquor traffic. It was held in the Salt Lake Theatre. The house was fairly well filled with listeners.

Wednesday, Sept. 8, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I sealed Fred Rich and Evelena Evans at noon to day. Witnesses Geo. Romney and Bp. Alf. Solomon.

Monday, Sept. 13, 1909 - Salt Lake City

We returned to our homes in Salt Lake City having attended six meetings [at stake conference in Fountain Green, Sanpete County].

The little child of Hyrum Groesbeck Jr. died this morning. Josephine and I spent the evening at his home. My son Glenn G. has returned home after an absense of 5 months in Pocatello Valley with Jesse M. Smith.

Friday, Sept. 17, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I had an interview with Gov. Wm. Spry. Dr. James E. Talmage is writing on the apostacy of the ancient church in the chapters I heard. Six of them [were] read and they were well written.

Saturday, Sept. 18, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the Presidents office.

My son George is quite poorly.

Josephine and I went out to Esther Martin Smiths. Her daughter Lilluth gave birth to a son on August 5th.

I blest it to night and his Father, Grand Father, and Gt. Grand Father and Uncle and Gt. Uncle laid hands upon [him]. I was Mouth and he was named Smith Van Dam. I am 61 years old today.

Sunday, Sept. 19, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I went to Provo and spent the day with my sisters Sarah M. Colton and Grace L. Cheever and their husbands. I had a most pleasant visit. Sarah M. is considerably improved in health.

I went to the 17th ward meeting [and] heard Prof. Miller lecture on the proper government of children.

Monday, Sept. 20, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I spent most of the day at the office with the Presidency. I was pleased to have Doctor Allen A. Middleton say that my son George was in the best condition that they had seen him, his pulse being normal.

Wednesday, Sept. 22, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the First Presidency, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Rudger Clawson, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay and Anthony W. Ivins of the Twelve & Patriarch John Smith met. Prayer by John R. Winder. Mouth at the altar Patriarch John Smith.

Routine business was gone through with. I was with the brethren of the Twelve and M. F. Cowley for a time.

Friday, Sept. 24, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office of the Presidency most of the day. Prest. Wm. H. Taft and Party arrived in this City to day.

Saturday, Sept. 25, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 9:30 a.m. to day about two hundred of our Citizens Accompanied Prest. Wm. H. Taft out to Saltair. I was introduced to him by Senator Reed Smoot. The President told me he knew of me. We also attended a Recital at the Tabernacle. I spent the afternoon with President Smith at the office.

Sunday, Sept. 26, 1909 - Salt Lake City

President Wm. H. Taft spoke in the Tabernacle today and Reviewed the school children on the street. He left for the North at 12 n.

2 p.m. I attended fast meeting and blest and named my Grand Son, Son of Moses A. Pond and my daughter Sarah Ann. His name is Eugene C.[?] Pond. Three other children were blest. Eighteen testimonies were given by men and women.

Monday, Sept. 27, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Presidents Joseph F. Smith, John R. Winder, A. H. Lund, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Reed Smoot, Geo. F. Richards, O. F. Whitney, A. W. Ivins, A. H. Lund Jr., Geo. H. Brimhall, Prof. [John A.] Widtsoe and James E. Talmage met and heard read an Article on the Godhead by the Presidency but it was referred to some of the brethren to examine as to the questions of Develoement.¹⁴

Bros. A. W. Ivins, Geo. F. Richards and I talked over the question with Dr. Jas. E. Talmage of the purchase of his Copyright of his new book, The Apostasy. Our Committee recommended to the Presidency that we pay him \$3,000.00 for it.

Tuesday, Sept. 28, 1909 - Salt Lake City

All of the members of the Twelve but H. J. Grant and C. W. Penrose met at 10 a.m. and adjourned to meet at 4:30 p.m. that we might attend the funeral of Phoebe Judd Kimball, wife of the late Heber C. Kimball which was held in the 18th chapel.

The funeral of Amos Milton Musser was held in the 2nd ward meeting house.

At 4:30 p.m. all of the Twelve but H. J. Grant, Geo. A. Smith and C. W. Penrose met and were together until near 10 p.m., all present speaking.

Wednesday, Sept. 29, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 9 a.m. all of the Twelve but H. J. Grant and C. W. Penrose [met]. President F. M. Lyman gave us a nice talk and Geo. A. Smith also spoke a few words.

Thursday, Sept. 30, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Office of the Presidency the greater part of the day.

My son George Albert seems to be improving in his health.

I blest Jesse H. Ellsworth and Thos. Brockbank of Payson who are going to Chicago, Ill. to study Dentistry.

Friday, Oct. 1, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. at the Annex of the Temple Myself, George F. Richards, A. W. Ivins, S. B. Young and Rulon S. Wells set apart Eleven Missionaries to Missions and two sisters who are to visit relatives in New Zealand.

I paid Zions S. B. & T. Co. \$270.00 interest on a note.

I paid C. S. Martin Coal Co. for Coal \$97.75.

¹⁴The article mentioned probably refers to "The Origin of Man," reprinted in James R. Clark, comp., *Messages of the First Presidency of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints* (Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1970), 4:199-206. Moderate in tone, the statements emphasized the church's teachings regarding the special creation of humans.

Sunday, Oct. 3, 1909 - Salt Lake City [general conference]

At 7 p.m. the Sunday School Union held its conference in the Tabernacle.

Roll showed representation from all the stakes but Yellowstone and Four of the Missions were represented. Good talks were given by Jas. E. Tolman and several others. Prest. Joseph F. Smith presided.

Tuesday, Oct. 5, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Priesthood meeting Convened in the Assembly Hall at 10 a.m.

John R. Winder spoke on the hotel building. Francis M. Lyman moved we endorse the action of the brethren in building it. Carried unanimously.

Presidents A. H. Lund, Joseph F. Smith, Elders Brigham F. Grant, Jos. J. Cannon, R. W. Young, Joseph Robinson, Ben. O. Rich, Chas. H. Hart, Bp. Ed. Austin, Gordell Brown, J. Q. Morris and I spoke on Immorality and crime among the young and the neglect of parents.

I met with Governor Wm. Spry and a Dozen other gentlemen and it was agreed to make an exhibition in Chicago in November and December. It is known as the Tribune Exposition.

Wednesday, Oct. 6, 1909 - Salt Lake City

Conference at 10 a.m.

Brigham H. Roberts made the longest talk of the conference, showing the mistakes of the saints during all time.

2 p.m.

J. Golden Kimball spoke on family failures. Rulon S. Wells on the love of God and the truth. Chas. H. Hart on Constitutional Law.

Bp. C. W. Nibley spoke on Loyalty.

Prest. Jos. F. Smith read a prayer made by the Prophet at Kirtland, Ohio and commended the talks of all who had spoken on the Gospel.

The Twelve met in the elegant new Room of president Francis M. Lyman in the Bishops new building.

Thursday, Oct. 7, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. The following named met in the Bp. Office

Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Heber J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Geo. F. Richards and A. W. Ivins. Israel J. Barlow Jr. joined. He was questioned in regard his conduct but declined to answer any questions.

My son Geo. Albert is very poorly. Josephine and I visited the [state] fair. It is a grand show.

Friday, Oct. 8, 1909 - Salt Lake City

George Albert Smith is a little better to day.

Saturday, Oct. 9, 1909 - Salt Lake City and Provo

I called upon George A. I was at the office part of the day.

Sarah F. and I went to the Fair. I saw a mummified woman and baby.

I accompanied Prest. Joseph F. Smith [to Provo]. We had supper to Reed Smoots. At 7:30 p.m. the board of Trustees of the Brigham Young Univeristy [met] at the Bank office.

The board went through routine business. They agreed to make an effort to secure water for the five hundred acre farm presented by Jesse W. Knight to the University. I went to Joseph Cheever and put up for the night.

Monday, Oct. 11, 1909 - Salt Lake City

My son Nathaniel L. Smith who left home three years ago to day reached home at 5:10 p.m. hearty and well. He traveled over many parts of Europe, did about two and a half years Mission in London, England and about five months in the New England states.

Tuesday, Oct. 12, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I set apart for a Mission to the Southern States J. W. Blazard of Thatcher, Arizona. His newly weded wife goes with him.

My wives and children and grand children all but Geo. Albert and Ezra Chase and his wife and three children spent the evening at Winslow F. About thirty of us present. We had a most agreeable time. We were celebrating Nathaniels return.

Wednesday, Oct. 13, 1909 - Salt Lake City

My wife Josephine G. is 52 years old to day.

Thursday, Oct. 14, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 9 a.m. The Directors of the Salt Lake Theatre Co. met. At 10:30 the Directors of the Utah National Bank met. At 2:30 p.m. the Directors of the Nevada Land and Cattle Co. met and heard reports of Manager Thomas Judd.

Sarah and I went to the Theatre in the evening. Mrs. Leslie Carter played leading part. I was taken with sevier coughing and weezing spell and began spitting blood. Dr. Ray Lund came in and bound Ice on my breast and the trouble abated.

Friday, Oct. 15, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I am improved but stoped at home all day. Excepting meeting a few moments with the Directors of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co.

Saturday, Oct. 16, 1909 - Salt Lake City

The entire day was spent at home reading Mardens book Peace, Power and Plenty.

Dr. Ray Lund gave me a most thorough testing with the stethoscope and pronounced me very sound but cautioned me to remain in doors for a few days.

Sunday, Oct. 24, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I met with my Prayer Circle.

My son George has been quite nervous to day.

Thursday, Oct. 28, 1909 - Salt Lake City

President Jos. F. Smith let me have Five hundred dollars for George Albert to clear up accounts.

I had a short visit with Prest. Jos. F. Smith in regard to the Political situation.

Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I was with the Presidency part of the day. I took a look at the Bronze Statues of Joseph and Hyrum Smith by M. M. Young. I think they are fine.

Wednesday, Nov. 3, 1909 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the First Presidency and the Patriarch John Smith, Eight of the Twelve being present [met]. Reed Smoot, Geo. A. Smith, Chas. W. Penrose and David O. McKay being absent.

I was at home and with George Albert. He with his family and my son Nathaniel L. left at 11:50 p.m. for Modena and St. George.

[Went to Idaho for the Founders Day Exercises of Oneida Stake Academy at Preston, November 5.]

Sunday, Nov. 7, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I attended the fast meeting in the Temple at 10 a.m.

1 p.m. Ward fast meeting 17th Ward.

The spirit of our meeting was that our children were without proper government and reformation was necessary.

Monday, Nov. 8, 1909 - Salt Lake City

We received the following Telegram

St. George Utah

Nov. 7th 1909

Arrived yesterday all better than when we left. Weather beautiful.

Geo. A. Smith

Wednesday, Nov. 10, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Directors meetings of the Home Fire Insurance Co., Heber J. Grant & Co., the Religion Class and Y.M.M.I.A. boards. I spent the evening at home reading.

Thursday, Nov. 11, 1909 - Salt Lake City

It is still stormy. I was at the meetings of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. and the Utah National Bank Directors. I was at the office of the Presidency of the Church.

[Went to Chicago for the Farm Land Congress, November 16-22, then to Kansas City, Missouri.]

Sunday, Nov. 14, 1909 - on train

I spent the day in Reading the life of Fredrick the Great and his family.

Thursday, Nov. 18, 1909 - Chicago

The sessions of the Congress were held today and I spoke at two of them.

Friday, Nov. 19, 1909 - Chicago

Two meetings were held to day of the farm Land Congress. Many choice speaches were made and by Governors and scientific men.

Tuesday, Nov. 23, 1909 - Kansas City, Missouri

Bro. [German E.] Ellsworth and I went out to Independence, Mo. I spent the forenoon visiting with Prest. G. E. Ellsworth and S. O. Bennion and later with G. L. Herrick of Colorado Mission.

I called upon President Joseph Smith of the Reorganized Church. He is just past 77 years of age. He is almost blind and quite Deaf. He suffers much with Neuralgia in his head. His Memory is good and Mind is bright. I spent about two hours with him. I called on Fredrick M. [Smith] and saw him only a few moments. His wife is very sick with Nervious Prostration. I called at our Liahona office and had a short visit with the office people and said good bye. I went to Kansas City and at 6:10 left for home.

[Went to Arizona, December 1-6, for stake conference at Thatcher.]

Friday, Dec. 3, 1909 - Thatcher, Arizona

The Entire day was devoted by myself, Rudger Clawson and Rulon S. Wells in examining into the feeling and complaints of a number of the brethren and sisters against President Andrew Kimball for his association with E. S. Kimball [?] & J. A. Shippen in the Banana business. All directly interested made their statements. President A. Kimball also explained his action.

Saturday, Dec. 4, 1909 - Thatcher

The stake Conference convened at 10 a.m., President Andrew Kimball presiding.

[After morning session] the brethren who have feelings against

President A. Kimball [met] and after some talk we all agreed to Kiss and make [up].

Thursday, Dec. 9, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I reached home this morning. The country is covered with snow. I have traveled 2,900 miles and attended 12 meetings. I met with the directors of the Utah National Bank. I was part of the day at the Presidents office.

Friday, Dec. 17, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I signed a lease to the Nancy B. Farr home. I paid Cannon and Fetzner Architects \$250.00

Saturday, Dec. 18, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I paid Willard T. Cannon \$2,000.00 on house building Contract.

* I was most of the day at the office of the Presidency.

Thursday, Dec. 23, 1909 - Salt Lake City

My Daughter Priscilla Langton is very sick.

Saturday, Dec. 25, 1909 - Salt Lake City

My children all had a fair Christmas. Priscilla is still very sick.

I ate Christmas dinner at Aunt Sarah F. The evening was spent at Josephines with her family. All present but Joseph Harmon who is in Holland on a Mission.

Sunday, Dec. 26, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I was at my Daughter Priscilla Langtons part of the day. She is still very sick.

At 2 p.m. Services were held in the Tabernacle Commemorating the birthday of the Prophet Joseph Smith.

Friday, Dec. 31, 1909 - Salt Lake City

I Paid Zions Savings Bank & T. Co. Interest \$270.00

" " The Deseret " " " 38.00 [?]

By direction of the Presidency I restored to Francis Wilcox his priesthood and rights in the church.

I have attended this year Meetings of many kinds to the number of 379.

I have traveled 20,671 miles.

Saturday, Jan. 1, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day between my homes reading and visiting with the wives and Children.

Monday, Jan. 3, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at the Presidents office. We went through the Valuations of Church property.

Tuesday, Jan. 4, 1910 - Salt Lake City

All of the Twelve but Reed Smoot, Geo. Albert Smith and Chas. W. Penrose met in their room in the Temple at 10 a.m.

All of the brethren present commencing with President Lyman spoke on some topic in which they are interested. The spirit was very good.

The day was occupied and our visit a good one.

Friday, Jan. 7, 1910 - Salt Lake City

At 9:30 a.m. All of the 12 but Reed Smoot, George A. Smith and C. W. Penrose were present in the Bishops building. Prest. Joseph H. Grant and Elder Israel Barlow Jr. met with us. Most of the day was spent in trying to get [from] bro. Barlow some items in his history. He declined to do so and was disfellowshipped from the Church.

Tuesday, Jan. 11, 1910 - Kansas City, Missouri

I reached here at 8:30 a.m. and went to the Hotel Baltimore, from there to the Commercial Club building. I met Col. Fred W. Fleming of Kansas City, Trumbo of Oklahoma, Cuah [?] of Kansas, Whillon [?] and Clark of Nebraska. We talked over a program for the 1910 session of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress. I was made one of a committee of five to go to Washington and try to get an appropriation for the Trans-Mississippi. I had dinner with Mr. Keech and at 7:30 p.m. I attended a Banquet with Flemming and three others.

I went out to Independence and put up at the Mission house.

Thursday, Jan. 13, 1910 - Independence, Missouri

I made two trips to Kansas City to get a suit of clothes.

Friday, Jan. 14, 1910 - Independence

I called upon President Joseph Smith of the Reorganized Church and spent an hour with him. He is better than he was a month ago. Some of his friends called in.

I got my clothes to day. Coat with two pair of pants \$35.75.

At 7:30 p.m. I left for Kansas City and at 9:15 p.m. I left for St. Louis, Mo.

Sunday, Jan. 16, 1910 - Washington, D.C.

We changed Cars and went on to Washington reaching there at 2:30 p.m. one hour late.

I put up at the Raleigh Hotel, room 659. I went out for a walk and

met Congressman Rucker of Colorado. We saw President Taft go out for a Ride in an Auto.

Many fine buildings have been constructed since I was here. The great Railway station, the new Committee building, the splendid new City hall.

About seven o'clock Reed Smoot sent his Auto for me and took me to his home, where a meeting of the Saints was held. Bro. Jos. Howell, Reed Smoot and I talked. About thirty persons were present. I met Nicholas Morgan.

Monday, Jan. 17, 1910 - Washington, D.C.

I went [to] the Belasco Theatre at 10 a.m. Seth Low, President W. H. Taft, Gov. Wilson of Kentucky & Judge Alton B. Parker of New York all made good speeches, the spirit and letter of which was in favor of Uniformity in many of the state laws.

This is a meeting of the National Civic confederation.

A permanent organization was made, Judge Alton B. Parker Chairman.

I was part of the Committee on Resolutions.

In the evening I met with the Resolutions Committee at the New Willard. Seth Low chairman.

Tuesday, Jan. 18, 1910 - Washington, D.C.

It rained all night. The convention met at the Arlington 10 a.m. Many short speeches were made.

2 p.m. The labor question received some attention. [Samuel] Gompers, John Mitchell, John Hays Hammond, August Belmont, Gillette and others spoke on the labor matter.

I met with the Committee on Resolutions.

Wednesday, Jan. 19, 1910 - Washington, D.C.

I met with the Committee on Resolutions.

Reed Smoot and I called upon the President. He received us nicely. I had Lunch with Senator George Sutherland. I met Senator Heybourn of Idaho and Chamberlain of Oregon.

With Congressman Howell I called upon Speaker of the house of Representatives Joseph Cannon. He received me warmly and kindly.

Thursday, Jan. 20, 1910 - Washington, D.C.

I called with Reed Smoot on Land Commissioner Dannett, Forester Potter, Secretary of the Interior Ballinger, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, Frank Pierce, 1st Assistant of Secretary of Interior and others.

Friday, Jan. 21, 1910 - Washington, D.C.

Ben E. Rich and his son Frank came to Washington this morning.

In company with [Congressman Joseph] Howell, Gov. Spry, Ben. E. Rich, Frank Rich and Myself called upon speaker Joseph Cannon and had a nice visit.

In company with Reed Smoot we called upon Secretary [of State Philander C.] Knox.

We had a nice visit with him. He says the Trans M C might invite men from Southern Republics if we consulted him. The Utah Delegation, Gov. Spry, Armstrong and Ben E. Rich and I met and talked over the Prohibition question.

At 9 p.m. Ben E. Rich and I went to bed at the Depot.

Saturday, Jan. 22, 1910 - New York City

We reached [Jersey City] about 8:30 a.m. Crossed the River to New York City and took the under ground Railway for the Office of the church, 33 West 126th St.

I called upon the Editor of the Americana, The Secretary of the National Civic Federation, Mr. Easley.

In the evening I attended with Ben E. Rich the Hippodrome the largest Theatre in the world. It was a Wonderful show, a trip to Japan.

Sunday, Jan. 23, 1910 - New York City

I received a letter from my son Winston F. He says my son George is very poorly. The rest of the folks are fairly well.

I spent the forenoon at the office. I met Bro. Levi Edgar Young and wife. I am much pleased with him.

At 3 p.m. I met with the Saints. We had some very nice singing. Prayer. Singing.

Ben E. Rich spoke a few words. Bro. Levi Edgar Young spoke very nicely. Bro. Geo. Eugene Dinwoodey who has been in the Mission four years gave his farewell, having been released. I spoke for a short time.

I ordained and set apart Levi Edgar Young as one of the Seven Presidents of all of the Seventies. I gave him some instructions and investigated his faith. He is a splendid young man.

Friday, Jan. 28, 1910 - Evanston, Wyoming, to Salt Lake City

We reached Ogden four hours late. Changed Cars and went on home, reaching there about 12 noon. I have been gone 20 days. I attended three religious meetings and attended 10 Civic and other meetings. I have traveled 5,739 miles.

I found my family all well and my son George is reported as being better.

Monday, Jan. 31, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I was most of the day at the office with Presidents Smith and Lund.

President Winder who has been very sick is better to day. By letter from my son Joseph H. we learn he expects [to] be released to return home soon. I paid W. T. Cannon \$4,000.00 on account of building to day.

Wednesday, Feb. 2, 1910 - Salt Lake City

At the office. I paid the ballance of the Jennie Whipple note \$277.60. I received from Con. W. & M. Co. check for \$150.00. I collected Rent for Cooper building /Harvey/ 70.00

Mrs. Army 35.00

Friday, Feb. 4, 1910 - Salt Lake City

President John R. Winder is better to day. I signed a note with my Josephine at the Savings Bank for \$7,500.00.

I sent to my son Joseph \$200.00. I paid the Deseret Savings Bank Interest \$102.08. By card from Lucy we hear George is improving.

Saturday, Feb. 5, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Office of the Presidency most of the day. President John R. Winder is still very poorly.

Tuesday, Feb. 8, 1910 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. a meeting was held in the Annex of the Temple composed of the Presidency of the Church, the Twelve, Seven Presidents of the Seventies and Presidents of stakes and Presiding Bishopric.

The report of the Priesthood Committee was read and some of their recommendations sustained. The one suggesting that changes be made in sabbath schools and other meetings so as to give the morning hour to the Priesthood was not sustained and they were left as they are at present.

Several of the brethren spoke, among the[m] Prest. Smith and Lund and some of the Twelve.

Thirty eight stakes were represented. The spirit of the meeting was a good one.

Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Directors meeting [of] the Cement-Lime & Brick Co., The Home Fire Insurance Co., The Heber J. Grant & Co., The Young Mens Mutual Improvement board.

I wrote to Lucy E. W. Smith [wife of George Albert].

Thursday, Feb. 10, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I was only a short time with the Presidency and Twelve. Bro. John R. Winder is still very poorly.

I was with the Directors of the Utah National Bank for over an hour to day. The Bank is doing very nicely in its business.

President Francis M. Lyman, Myself, H. J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, George F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, D. O. McKay and Joseph Hy. Grant met with Bro. Israel Barlow Jr. in the Apostles Room in the Bishops building and talked over his case. He seemed very much more humble than formerly. We granted him two weeks more to consider what he would do.

Friday, Feb. 11, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I went to Provo City with S. S. Smith Jr. and met Curtis B. Smith at the B. Y. University building and talked over his troubles with his Father and I think [he] was considerably Modified in his feelings.

Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1910 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. the Directors of the Utah-Idaho Sugar Co. met. All present but John R. Winder who is still sick.

The Annual report was read by the Secretary. The net earnings of the Company are Eight hundred thousand dollars.

Wednesday, March 2, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon at the office with Presidents A. H. Lund and F. M. Lyman.

At 8 p.m. my wife Sarah F. and I left for St. George.

Friday, March 4, 1910 - St. George, Utah

We drove to St. George and found all well but George My son who is quite weak. The weather is quite mild.

Tuesday, March 8, 1910 - St. George

George seems a little improved to day. I made a few calls. The day was very warm.

Wednesday, March 9, 1910 - St. George

I went to the Temple and spoke to the workers there. I also in company [with] David H. Cannon and Counselor Thomas P. Cottam examined the foundation of the Temple and the Walls. The Mineral is eating away even the black rock as it does the sand stone. The foundation of the Tabernacle is being very badly damaged.

Friday, March 11, 1910 - St. George

George had a nervous night.

Monday, March 14, 1910 - St. George

At 7:20 a.m. we bid good by to George, Lucy, Nathaniel and Emily and taking Edith & Geo. Albert Jr. my wife and I left for Modena driven by Wm. A. Empey. We had dinner at Chadburns and drove to the Meadows, had supper and put up for the night at Platts Ranch.

Wednesday, March 16, 1910 - Salt Lake City

We ate a meal in the train and reached home at 10 a.m. Found our own all well.

I had traveled upon this trip 691 miles. President John R. Winder is very poorly. President Joseph F. Smith has Lumbago and Sciatica.

I qualified as a Director of the Beneficial Life Insurance Co. and met with the Directors of same.

Friday, March 18, 1910 - Salt Lake City

President John R. Winder is very poorly indeed. President Jos. F. Smith and I called upon and blest him. The day was spent in the office. We had a number of callers. In the evening I called upon my Daughter Priscilla and saw the babies. I was also at my son Don Carlos and Sarah Ponds. The evening was pleasantly spent.

Tuesday, March 22, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Most of the day was spent at the office receiving people, giving Counsel and reading Correspondence and sending out answers.

President John R. Winder is still alive getting a little better.

Wednesday, March 23, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. met at 10 a.m. Reports of the condition of the Company were read and accepted. The Money to pay dividends for the present year was appropriated.

Friday, March 25, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I had a slight Hemorage of the lung this morning and was confined to my room all day.

Saturday, March 26, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day at the office with Presidents Smith and Lund. Many letters were opened and read. About one dozen applications for aid in building meeting houses by various ward Bishops were considered and \$44,650.00 was appropriated to help in such work.

Sunday, March 27, 1910 - Salt Lake City

President John R. Winder died at 7:20 this evening after nine weeks of sickness with Pneumonia.

Monday, March 28, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office most of the day. All of the Twelve in the City, the Presidency, R. W. Young, Nephi L. Morris, B. F. Grant, O. P. Miles, Elias A. Smith met and talked over the funeral matter of Prest. John R. Winder. Myself, R. W. Young, B. F. Grant, C. W. Nibley and Elias A. Smith were apppointed to arrange the funeral matters of Prest. John R. Winder. We met

and talked over matter with the family and adjourned until March 14th at 9 a.m.

Tuesday, March 29, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The committee met at 9 a.m. at the Bishops Office and agreed on a program which was printed in the Deseret Evening News. I met with Prest. F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay and A. W. Ivins. All of us spoke and talked over all matters looking to the upbuilding of the whole church.

Thursday, March 31, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Committee having charge of the Winder funeral met at 9 a.m. at the home and the undertaker removed the remains to the Tabernacle. Twelve of his grandsons acting as Paul bearers and guard of honor.

At 11 a.m. the funeral opened. We had five numbers of excelent music.

Prayer by Joseph E. Taylor.

W. W. Riter, Geo. Romney, B. F. Grant, R. W. Young, H. M. Wells, Joseph F. Smith, A. H. Lund, H. J. Grant, F. M. Lyman and Nephi Morris all spoke. Benediction by S. B. Young.

Seventy carriages loaded with people went to the cemetery. The Temple choir sang at the grave. The Dedicatory Prayer was offered by Bp. F. S. Tingey.

It has been a most satisfactory funeral service.

Saturday, April 2, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Twelve met with the Presidents of Missions and heard their reports of the Condition in their fields. All spoke and most of them gave a good showing.

My son Joseph Harmon returned home at 7 p.m. today from a Mission to the Netherlands, where [he] has been for nearly three years.

The family were nearly all together Geo. Albert wife and Son & daughter being away. Chase and wife and daughter, Winslows wife and son.

We had a most excelent time together.

Wednesday, April 6, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The General Conference Convened at 10 a.m.

Choir sang Guide Us O Thou Great Jehovah.

Prayer by Prest. Lewis W. Shurtliff

O Say What is Truth.

The speakers were Ben E. Rich, German E. Ellsworth.

Esther Davis sang a solo.

The auditors Report was read and Adopted. Wm. W. Riter gave a

very fair statement on the affairs of the church. The Choir sang Praise to the man. Benediction by Prest. S. B. Young.

2 p.m.

Choir sang We Thank Thee O God for a Prophet. Prayer by Brigham H. Roberts. Choir Sang The Spirit of God like a Fire is Burning.

General Authorities were

The Presidency now stand

Joseph F. Smith President

Anthon H. Lund 1 Councillor

John Henry Smith 2 " "

The Twelve

Francis M. Lyman, Prest., Heber J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert Smith, Chas. W. Penrose, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay, Anthony W. Ivins, Joseph F[ielding]. Smith, Jr. and all other general and Aids [?] sustained.

D. O. McKay and A. W. Ivins spoke.

Prest. Joseph F. Smith thanked the people and blest them. Choir sang Anthem, Let the Mountains Shout for Joy and the Doxology. Benediction by C. W. Nibley.

I met at 5 p.m. with H. J. Grant and family at the Lion House. He entertained the Presidency and Twelve, the Presidents and they who presided under him in the British Mission. My wives were with me.

The Church was organized 80 years ago to day and I was chosen as second Counsellor to President Joseph F. Smith.

Thursday, April 7, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and Twelve and Patriarch met at 10 a.m. Joseph F. Smith Jr. and Geo. F. Gibbs being with us.

Present Joseph F. Smith, Anthon H. Lund, Francis M. Lyman, Myself, Heber J. Grant, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay, Anthony W. Ivins, Joseph F. Smith Jr., Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs.

I offered the opening Prayer. President Francis M. Lyman gave a charge to Joseph F. Smith Jr.

President Joseph F. Smith set Anthon H. Lund apart as his first Counsellor and Myself as second Counsellor. He also Ordained Joseph F. Smith Jr. an Apostle. All of the brethren laid their hands on with President Smith but the one receiving the blessing and Secretary Gibbs.

Rudger Clawson was mouth at the altar.

We cleared up Routine business.

A party of about sixty was entertained at the Beehive house.

Chas. W. Penrose was released from Presiding [over] the European

Mission. Rudger Clawson was chosen to fulfill that duty of presiding in Europe.

Friday, April 8, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Joseph F. Smith went to Pueblo, Colorado to day having been subpoenaed as a witness before the U. S. grand jury.

I received and answered a number of letters of congratulations for my appointment as Counselor. I spent the day at the office part of the time with Bro. A. H. Lund.

Sunday, April 10, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I attended the 17th ward meeting and heard Ellis Woodruff, My son Joseph Harmon and Cousin E. Wesley Smith speak upon their Missionary experience. All reported a pleasant time.

Thursday, April 14, 1910 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and all of the Twelve but Reed Smoot, G. A. Smith, Chas. W. Penrose and David O. McKay were present. Also Patriarch John Smith and Geo. F. Gibbs Secretary. Prayer by Prest. Joseph F. Smith. Mouth at the Altar Prest. Francis M. Lyman. We cleared up Routine business. We made reports but could not quite see some propositions made by some of the brethren in finance.

We spent the ballance of the afternoon in the office Reading and answering letters.

Friday, April 15, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office part of the day. The Presidency went to and looked over President J. R. Winders desk and sent his family the papers belonging to him.

I went to the Theatre and sat in the box with Nicholas G. and Wife and Arzella and Josephine and my grand daughter Edith.

Monday, April 18, 1910 - Salt Lake City and Provo

Some one blew up the Utah hotel building last night. Prest. Jos. F. Smith and wife Mary, Myself and wife Josephine went to Provo and was taken [by] Autos to the head or intake of the high land canal. Bro. Roundy took us.

Music by the University Band. Singing by the University Choir. Prayer by Prest. Abel John Evans. Prest. Jos. Murdoch read a paper on the efforts and labors to put the cannal through. Prest. Joseph F. Smith spoke. Commissioner W. D. Candland also spoke followed by the mayors of Lehi, American Fork and Pleasant Grove. D. C. Strong of Alpine also spoke. Morgan Evans of Lehi, Stephen L. Chipman of Am. Fork, Jesse W. Knight of Provo, Heber J. Grant, Myself, A. H. Lund Jr., Geo. H. Brimhall and J. N. Keeler.

I offered the Dedictory Prayer and President Joseph F. Smith and others opened the head gates.

We road up in to the Canyon, then down the cannal and then to the Lake shore, travelling 20 by Auto. We went to the station and returned, travelling in all 114 miles.

Friday, April 22, 1910 - Salt Lake City

At 9 a.m. Theatre board met. At 10 Presidency and Twelve met with Prest. Julius Romney and talked over Mexican matters. At 12 noon Idaho Utah Sugar Co. [directors met]. I was elected a member of the executive committee.

Sunday, April 24, 1910 - Salt Lake City

My wife Josephine and Smith Pond, our grandson went to Springville to dedicate a new meeting house in the 3rd ward of that City. It is a nice house and will seat about four hundred people comfortably.

The building had cost \$12,482.53. \$4,900.00 was paid by the Church, the ballance by the Saints of the ward and some outside people. I offered the Dedictory prayer.

Thursday, April 28, 1910 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. All of the First Presidency and All of the Twelve but Reed Smoot, G. A. Smith and C. W. Penrose, Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs [met]. Reports were made by all present. Letter read. We agreed to buy the Picture of Joseph the Prophet and to get one of Prest. Joseph F. Smith.

Saturday, April 30, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I received \$300.00 for wages this month. The Presidency spent the day in the office. Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan and daughters and two other ladies called at the office. Sam Newhouse and others called.

My wife Josephine borrowed \$7,000.00 this morning at Zions S. Bank.

Tuesday, May 3, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent largely at the office Receiving and answering letters.

My Fathers wife Bathsheba W. Smith is 88 years old. One hundred Relatives and friends were entertained by the Directors of the Relief Society.

Wednesday, May 4, 1910 - Salt Lake City

George Albert and family left St. George at 4 a.m. this morning, he laying on a bed.

Friday, May 6, 1910 - Salt Lake City

My sons George Albert and N. L. Smith, With Lucy and daughter Emily arrived from St. George. George is somewhat improved to what he was when I saw him one month ago.

Upon the Invitation of Governor Wm. Spry, Prest. Jos. F. Smith, A. H. Lund and myself, Jas. G. MacDonald and others went out to the State Hatchery and spent the day Fishing and eating. We had a splendid time. We rode about 18 miles on an auto.

Friday, May 13, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency spent most of the day in the office. Some money was appropriated to various buildings. Rudger [Clawson] presented the books containing the Auditors reports for about seven years. We had a long talk with Dr. Jas. E. Talmadge over the Deseret Museum being installed at an early day in the Vermont building.

Saturday, May 14, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Two deeds were received to day from England of property bought for the Church in Sheffield and Manchester. Many letters were read and answered.

Monday, May 16, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Presidents Jos. F. Smith, A. H. Lund, Rudger Clawson and Myself and Wife Josephine G., Edna L. Smith and Sister Clawson and Bro. and Sister Bowman spent the evening at Hyrum M. Smith. We had a nice dinner and pleasant visit. My wife did not enjoy our little Auto ride.

Tuesday, May 17, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Rudger Clawson, two sons and two daughters left for England with a company of 20 Elders for missions. The Presidency bid them good bye at the Depot.

Wednesday, May 18, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Religion Class board and the Y.M.M.I.A. board.

My wife Sarah F. and [I] visited our son Winslow F. who has Rheumatism.

Thursday, May 19, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency looked through the second story of the Vermont house with Dr. James E. Talmadge. It is being prepared to receive the Deseret Museum.

At 10 a.m. all of the Presidency and Orson F. Whitney and David O. McKay of the Twelve and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met. I offered prayer. Minutes and Correspondence were read and passed upon.

All of the Twelve but the two are out in the field.

I met with the Directors of Z.C.M.I. at 3 p.m. The ballance of the [day] was spent in the office signing letters. Prest. A. H. Lund and I had a short Auto ride with John C. Cutler. I met with Dr. Maggie Roberts class in obstetricks at the Relief Society Hall and among several others spoke to some 35 of them and quite a body of other people. Good singing, good talking, and good praying. My wife Sarah has gone to Ogden to be with her Brother Ezra who has had a son killed.

Friday, May 20, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office most of the day. I met with the Directors of the Utah National Bank. I met with manager and Executive Committee of the Utah Idaho Sugar Company. We agreed tha[t] all things being equal the new Sugar factory should be put at Richfield.

Sunday, May 22, 1910 - Salt Lake City

My son Winslow F. is sick with Rhumatism.

I went to Ogden. I attended the funeral [of] Cecil Earl Farr, son of Ezra Farr, who was killed by a log train near Dee in Oregon. He was just over 21 years of age. His head was cut off. The funeral was held in the 4 Ward meeting house.

We spent the evening at Winslows. He is quite poorly.

Monday, May 23, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of the Idaho Utah Sugar Co. met at their office at 10 a.m. Regular business was attended to, then the Question of the location of a Sugar factory in Sevier Co. was considered. A committee of citizens from Richfield called upon us. After some consideration by the board the whole subject Matter was refered to the Executive Committee with power to act.

Miss Cambell entertained about two hundred people at Prest. Frank Y. Taylors. We had a most excelent time Watching the [Halley's] Commet and seeing the Eclipse of the moon and eat[ing] Cake, Cream and straw-berry[s].

Prest. John R. Winders funeral cost \$2,022.45.

Tuesday, May 24, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon with the Manager, Attorney Chief Faviner[?] and the Executive Committee of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. and a committee of two of the Citizens of Richfield on the Question of the Location of a Sugar Factory. We did not reach an agreement but we will meet at the call of the Manager.

Thursday, May 26, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Directors of the Con. W. & M. Co., also with Em-migration Canyon R.R. Co.

I had a Auto Ride with John A. Groesbeck wife and daughter. My wife Josephine and daughter Arzella went with us. We road 27 miles.

Saturday, June 4, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency spent the entire day in the Office receiving Visitors, reading and Answering letters. We also went through an appeal case from North Weber stake and confirmed the decision of the High Council.

Sunday, June 5, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The sessions of the joint Conventions of the Young Men, Young Women and Primary Associations were held. Prest. Joseph F. Smith presiding, assisted by H. J. Grant and the presidents of the Young Ladies and the Primary. We had excelent Music and sweet songs.

Many speaches both Morning, Noon, and Night.

Prayer and Benedictions were choice. The large Audience was most happy, enjoying a most rich flow of the Holy spirit. It is one of the days long to be remembered.

My sick are all better to night.

Wednesday, June 8, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Commencement exercises of the University of Utah to day.

Everything passed off splendidly. The Prayer and Benediction were fine. The Music in all its numbers was grand. All of the Papers were in most excelent form and contained Matter of Worth. 165 students received various degrees & certificates.

Joseph L. Rawlins received The Degree of Dr. of law.

Friday, June 10, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I took my son George Albert to Springville to day and left him with Dr. Dell Boyer to look after [him] for a short time.

At 11:45 the sleeping car Unique left the City with about 20 of Directors and Managers and employes and friends of the Con. W. & M. Co. for a trip to their business houses in Southern Idaho and Northern Utah.

Saturday, June 11, 1910 - Southern Idaho

At Pocatello Ass. Sup. D. S. Spencer had his car attached to the Unique and Bp. Geo. Romney, Joseph F. Smith and Myself were invited to occupy the car with him during the ballance of our trip.

We visited our house at Burleigh and went on to Twin Falls where we had dinner. Visited our building which is a fine one. We drove to the Shoshone Falls and to Perrines Apple Orchard, returned to our [train] and went on to Buhl where visited our house and stoped over night. We have a fine place here.

Sunday, June 12, 1910 - Buhl to Idaho Falls, Idaho

We went from [Buhl] to Gooding where we have a nice place. We took an Auto ride we and [?] Governor Gooding.

We went from here to Blackfoot where we visited another large and well equipped house. We went on to Idaho Falls where we have our largest place. We attended meeting at 8 p.m. The speakers were Geo. Romney, W. W. Riter, James Moyle, Myself and Prest. Joseph F. Smith. The attendance was large.

Part of us slept at Gilbert Wrights elegant new home.

Monday, June 13, 1910 - Idaho Falls

Our Cars were sent to Ashton and the party went [in] autos around through farms, visiting on the way our houses at Rigby, Rexburg, St. Anthony and Ashton. The latter place has a fine place, the others not so good.

Tuesday, June 14, 1910 - Pocatello, Idaho, to Logan

We went on to Montpelier where we dined, had an Auto ride and Went through our great building, among the best we have. We went to Logan. Had a Banquet at the Agricultural College, the very best meal we have had. It was the most tastefully arranged.

We went through our business house and found a great Building.

Monday, June 20, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Prest. A. H. Lund is in Sanpete Co. Prest. Joseph F. Smith and Myself spent most of the day in the office. We had a call from the Governor Wm. Spry and a young Mr. N. W. Eldridge who talked over the Moving picture Proposition.

Tuesday, June 21, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I went out to the Saltair Beach and attended a Banquet given in honor of Sister Louie B. Felt. 37 persons sat down to a nice Meal in the ship Restaurant. My son George Albert and Bro. John Acomb are stoping there.

Monday, June 27, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Board of Directors of Wandermere Park met at 8 p.m. and looked over its affairs and found it prosperous.

I am more than pleased with the improvements that have been and are being made.

Wednesday, June 29, 1910 - Salt Lake City

At 2:30 in the Temple I sealed My son Joseph Harmon Smith and Sarah McKinon.

I also sealed my Nephew Byron Owen Colton and Helen Merkley of Vernal, Utah.

We held a reception at Aunt Josephine. About seventy five persons were present.

The Newly Married Couples were both with us.

I am well pleased with the day. Four of my sisters were present Mary A., Sarah M., Grace L. and Lizzie.

Thursday, June 30, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Quite a number of the people who were at our house last night ate to much food or something was wrong with the same.

The month has been a very warm one. The earth is very dry.

Friday, July 1, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The day was a hot one. I was in the office all day.

We received several callers.

A number of letters were received and answered. We paid out about 20 thousand dollars to day.

Saturday, July 2, 1910 - Salt Lake City

In the evening we attended the Motor races at Wandermere. I had never seen them before and enjoyed them very much.

It requires great Indurance.

Sunday, July 3, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I attended fast meetings in the Temple at 10 a.m. and in the 17th Ward at 2 p.m. Both meetings were choice. Many Testimonies being borne and good singing given.

Prest. Joseph F. Smith in the Temple fast meeting made one of his telling talks on the proper administration of the ordinances and said minor errors would not count against their efficacy in the interest of those for whom they were given.

Monday, July 4, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Joseph F. Smith and Wife Mary, Bp. C. W. Nibley and Budes[?] left for a trip to Europe to day at 7:10 a.m.

I was at my home most of the day. At 5 p.m. I went out to Saltair and had a nice visit with my Son George Albert who is stoping there. He is improving in his health.

It is thought that Aunt Bathsheba is parylized in her legs, so Dr. C. H. Wilcox says.

Wednesday, July 6, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office all day suffering from Lumbago.

We granted about 12 thousand dollars as aids to meeting houses.

Friday, July 8, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The day was a very hot one. We were at the office most of the day.

About thirty thousand dollars was appropriated to churches and other things.

Monday, July 11, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The entire day was spent at the office by Prest. A. H. Lund and Myself. Bp. Butter a Councillor of Cornish Ward, Cache, called upon us and we granted them an extra \$400.00 for their meeting house.

Aunt Bathsheba Smith is very poorly. I called upon her three times to day.

Tuesday, July 12, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Mexican Rubber Co. board of Directors met and heard the Report of the Managers visit to Tabasco. Also the Report of the Committee. The Rubber is said to be doing nicely. Bananas not so well.

Thursday, July 14, 1910 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. Prest. A. H. Lund, Myself, Francis M. Lyman, Hyrum M. Smith, C. W. Penrose, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay, Joseph F. Smith Jr., John Smith and Geo. F. Gibbs present.

We Read our Minutes and transacted routine business. The case of Junius F. Wells was talked over and work on the Monument at Sharon was considered.

Friday, July 15, 1910 - Salt Lake City

In the evening I went out to Saltair with Josephine. We had a visit with George Albert.

Monday, July 18, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Peace Committee and paid my fee for 1910 \$1.00.

Thursday, July 21, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met at 3 p.m. They looked over the new store. It will be very fine.

Friday, July 22, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I received the following Telegram

Chicago Irrigation Association earnestly and Cordially invites you Attend Banquet here next Thursday night, July twenty eight. Deliver address subject Development and Progress of Irrigation. Wire immediately so that proper reservations can be made. God bless you. Don Farnsworth.

I notified Mr. Farnsworth I could not but thanked him for the invitation.

I loaned my son Winslow \$150.00 to go to Chicago.

Sunday, July 24, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Sixty three years ago to day the Pioneers entered this Valley. My father Geo. A. Smith among the number.

Monday, July 25, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Pioneer day was celebrated at Wandermere Park under the auspices of the Daughters of the Pioneers. Senator Reed Smoot master of ceremonies.

Senator Smoot delivered a nice oration.

68 of the Pioneers of 1847 were present, 4 members of the Mormon Battalion, one person born on the ship Brooklyn on its trip around the horn.

I took Josephine and Arzella and Josephine and went out to Saltair and had a bath. My son George A. is stoping at Saltair. He is improving.

Thursday, July 28, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I sat during the evening for a long time by the sick bed of Aunt Bathsheba W. Smith. She is feeling better than at any time since her sickness.

Saturday, July 30, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I went to Saltair and had a nice lunch with My sons Don C. and Joseph H. and their wives and My Bessie and Don children and some other friends.

I spent the night with my son George Albert.

We had an elegant bath in the Lake.

Sunday, July 31, 1910 - Saltair

I spent the entire day reading and sleeping. My wife Sarah came out for a short time. Also my sons daughter Edith who stoped over night.

Tuesday, Aug. 2, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I Presided at Rev. Madison C. Peters meeting in the Assembly Hall in the evening at 8 p.m. In defense of the Jews and their work in the world.

Thursday, Aug. 11, 1910 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. The following brethren met: Anthon H. Lund, Myself, Francis M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, Reed Smoot, H. M. Smith, C. W. Penrose, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, A. W. Ivins, Joseph F. Smith Jr., John Smith & Geo. F. Gibbs.

We talked over reports of some new Marriages. It was decided if evidence can be got [we] will sever such parties from the church.

Friday, Aug. 19, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I met the Directors of the Utah National Bank. We did up routine business.

Prest. A. H. Lund, C. W. Penrose and H. J. Grant and I talked over the Loan of twenty thousand dollars Jos. Silver and Bros.

Saturday, Aug. 20, 1910 - Salt Lake City

In the evening I went out to Saltair and took Bessie and Arzella my daughters and two other girls. I made up my mind to stop over night with my son George Albert.

Sunday, Aug. 21, 1910 - Saltair

I spent the day in my sons quarters at the Resort taking two baths and sleeping most of the day.

Tuesday, Aug. 23, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent at the office in Routine Work. We had a long letter from 2 Coun. Gosland on the Geo. C. Parkinson Matter. Also a call from 1 Coun. Geddis on the same subject. He says the people of the Oneida Stake are shot all to peices by the Report of the Committee.

Thursday, Aug. 25, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency and Twelve met at 10 a.m.

Present: A. H. Lund, Myself, Francis M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, Geo. A. Smith, Reed Smoot, Orson F. Whitney, Chas. W. Penrose, Joseph F. Smith, Patriarch John Smith, Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs.

We had some conversation over the Jos. Silver Matter.

The Directors of the Con. W. & M. Co. met at 3:10 p.m.

A Mr. Fowler who claimed to [be] a representative of the Omaha Bee and other papers called upon us wishing our endorsement to visit among the people.

Saturday, Aug. 27, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon in the office with LeGrand Young [and] Joseph Silver trying to get Matters shaped in regard to a loan of \$20,000.00 to save property endangered by sale.

Wednesday, Aug. 31, 1910 - Salt Lake City

All day at the Office. Usual supply of letters. We had some callers.

All goes well although Money is tight.

Friday, Sept. 2, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I paid the Water Tax for 23 N. W. T. [North West Temple] St. and 83 W. 1 North St. \$63.00.

Saturday, Sept. 3, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Joseph F. Smith returned from a two months trip in the old world this morning.

Monday, Sept. 5, 1910 - Salt Lake City

It has been labor day. I did not see the great parade. All of the resorts were filled with people.

Monday, Sept. 12, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Prest. A. H. Lund and I looked through the Temple and talked with several employes. We learned that several Keys to the doors are out and that two had been lost.

Tuesday, Sept. 13, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Joseph F. Smith has been quite poorly to day. He has had to many callers.

The day in the Office was a strenuous one. Many callers and some wants looking to helping in the many meeting houses being built.

Friday, Sept. 16, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the office. Prest. Joseph F. Smith is still quite poorly.

Saturday, Sept. 17, 1910 - Salt Lake City and Richfield, Utah

The County fair is being held here. We went out and saw Races and some Broncho horses rode.

I put up at Prest. W. H. Seegmiller home.

We went to the fair and witnessed some strange scenes, boys smoking and some Profanity.

Sunday, Sept. 18, 1910 - Richfield [stake conference]

Orson F. Whitney and I met at 9 a.m. with the Presidency of the stake and High Council. We informed that President Seegmiller had been released at his request which would desolve the Presidency. His release was accepted and Robt. D. Young, James M. Peterson and John Christiansen selected to present to the Priesthood and Saints to preside over the Sevier stake of Zion.

At 12 p.m. Priesthood meeting and we agreed as to the Presidency and High Counselors and Alternates.

2 p.m. Conference met.

Myself and Bros. Whitney, Seegmiller, J. S. Horne, Robt. D. Young and several others spoke. All of the brothren was named had been agreed upon in the Priesthood meeting were sustained and a good feeling shown.

We had supper at the Pantheon Hotel. I am 62 years old to day.

Monday, Sept. 19, 1910 - Richfield and Salt Lake City

My son Glenn is 17 years old to day. My wife Josephine entertained

about 35 of my decedents tonight at her home. We had a pleasant time to gether. George Albert and our daughter Priscilla S. Langton were absent.

Tuesday, Sept. 20, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Bathsheba Wilson Bigler Smith died at 10 a.m. at her daughter Bathsheba Smith Merrills home.

Thursday, Sept. 22, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The following brethren met at 10 a.m.: A. H. Lund, myself, F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, Hyrum M. Smith, Reed Smoot, Charles W. Penrose, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay, Joseph F. Smith Jr. and Geo. F. Gibbs.

We went through routine business. Read letters and considered G. C. Parkinson case. We were together most of the day.

Sunday, Sept. 25, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The funeral of President Bathsheba W. Bigler Smith of the Relief Societies of the Church was held at 2 p.m. in the Tabernacle.

The speakers were Bp. F. S. Tingey, Prest. Nephi L. Morris, Emmeline B. Wells, Joseph E. Taylor, Mrs. Dusenberry, Prest. Anthon H. Lund and Richard W. Young. Benediction by Patriarch John Smith. Angus M. Cannon Dedicated the Grave. The Expense of funeral is \$306.50 as per bill of Jos. W. Taylor.

Wednesday, Oct. 5, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Prest. A. H. Lund, Myself, Prest. F. M. Lyman, H. J. Grant, Reed Smoot, H. M. Smith, C. W. Penrose, Geo. F. Richards, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay, A. W. Ivins and Joseph F. Smith Jr. met and had Prayers. Prayer by Prest. F. M. Lyman. Mouth at the Altar Reed Smoot. We talked over Conference Matters and Polygamy Matters some.

5 p.m. the brethren that met in the morning met and were together until 8 p.m. Considering Conference matters and the handling of offenders against the church and state.

Tuesday, Oct. 11, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I met with the heirs of Bathsheba W. Smith and heard her Will read. She gave all of her property to her daughter after paying debts and funeral expenses.

Wednesday, Oct. 12, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I was at the Office most of the day. I attended the Directors meeting of H. J. Grant and Co., Home Fire insurance Co., the Religion class board and the Y.M.M.I.A. board. The Twelve are examining [?] Polygamy cases.

Thursday, Oct. 13, 1910 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and All of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson

and Geo. A. Smith were present. Also patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs were present. We transacted Routine business. We Agreed to increase the allowance of Most of the Twelve and the Patriarch about \$600.00 each.

Sunday, Oct. 16, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I received the following Telegram

Snow Flake, Arizona

Mother died today. Notify President Smith

Sam. F. Smith

Tuesday, Oct. 18, 1910 - Salt Lake City

We sent the following Telegram to Prest. Samuel F. Smith.

Snow Flake, Arizona

We all deeply Condole with you all in the death of your Mother and the girls. Also in the passing of Cousin Amy Smith Taylor, Aunts Bathsheba, Lucy Walker Smith and Uncle Silas Sanford all following so closely one upon another. Love to all

Joseph F. Smith

John Henry Smith

Monday, Oct. 24, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the office. Politics is getting exceedingly hot all over the land.

The Prohibition one is burning fiercely here. My son George is gaining a little.

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 1910 - Salt Lake City

We had an intense day. A. W. Ivins brought up the Independence plow business which is in distress.

Nephi Clayton and Ashby Snow brought up the Michigan Salt Co. business which is also in distress. The Mexican Rubber Co. board had a warm time this evening. John McAllister of our Committee to visit the plantation reported some seming irregularities which were discussed and found mostly hot air but It will no doubt prove of profit to the company.

Noble Warrum will now receive \$200.00 per month salary. I had a nice visit this evening with Judge William McCarty. He feels we are in danger from the American party.

Wednesday, Oct. 26, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I was with the Presidency Most of the day in the office. We appropriated Money to several meeting houses and went through our letters.

Thursday, Oct. 27, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Chas. Burton took Prests Jos. F. Smith, F. M. Lyman and Myself to see George Albert and they administered to him.

Saturday, Oct. 29, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The forenoon was spent by the Presidency in looking over the Meeting house and other appropriations. We also investigated some of our endorsements which amount to large sums.

Sunday, Oct. 30, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I had a short visit with my son George Albert this morning. He is feeling very nicely so he says.

Monday, Oct. 31, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The entire day was spent in the office. We met first with Judge W. H. King and Fredrick Lyman in regard to the Canals in Millard Co. Franklin S. Richards was here in regard to some Mortgages on property at Cardston in Canada belonging to the C. O. Card family.

Some money for meeting houses.

Henry P. Richards and Wm. Ferrell were here in regard Josepa plantation. Manager Waddoups is to have holliday.

Thursday, Nov. 3, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The afternoon was spent in the office. Politics is burning hot. Many dirty and unfair things are being said by both parties.

Friday, Nov. 4, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I paid my own Taxes to day to the amount of \$414.64 and my wife Josephine G. to the amount of \$702.75. The larger part of the day was spent at the Office. We Made an appropriation of \$25,000.00 for church taxes and quite an amount to meeting houses and other Matters.

Monday, Nov. 7, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I called upon my son George Albert who is at Grays Sanatorium. He is considerably improved.

Tuesday, Nov. 8, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I voted a straight Republican ticket to day before going to the office.

I was at the office most of the day. The Presidency and Twelve met and talked over the Henry Tanner polygamy case and concluded to handle with care and not to be a tyranical body condemning with out evidence and answering the Tribune clamor.¹⁵

¹⁵ The *Tribune* "clamor" was a listing in its October 8 edition of more than two

Monday, Nov. 14, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The old guard spent the evening with their wives at Mary S. Smiths home in honor of Prest. Joseph F. Smiths birthday. He was 72 years old yesterday. About forty persons were present. We had an excelent dinner With Music and songs and President Smith and I spoke.

Wednesday, Nov. 16, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office with the members of the First Presidency, F. M. Lyman, Reed Smoot, C. W. Penrose and David O. McKay. We talked over the Polygamy situation.

[Went to San Antonio, Texas, for the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress meetings, November 17-24.]

Monday, Nov. 21, 1910 - San Antonio, Texas

The day was spent in meeting friends and Attending Committee meeting.

In the Evening a Banquet was given at the Hotel Gunther by the Chamber of Commerce. About three hundred guests sat down. It was a great spread. Congressmen and Governors were present and many made speeches, I among the number. We were up untill 1 a.m. A few became hilarious from drinking.

Tuesday, Nov. 22, 1910 - San Antonio

The 21st meeting of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress convened in Beethoven Hall at 10 a.m.

Three Sessions were held and many speeches made.

I presided over the evening meeting. The Hall was crowded to suffocation. The speakers were Minister Calderon of Bolivia and William Jennings Bryan. I introduced them.

Wednesday, Nov. 23, 1910 - San Antonio

Three Sessions of the Congress were held to day. Gov. Stubbs of Kansas and Schaffroth of Colorado were among the speakers. I spoke for some time on the question of a better education for our young men entering business life in the line of honor and honesty. I also spoke upon the question of Morality advocating the same standard for men as women.

Thursday, Nov. 24, 1910 - San Antonio

Three meetings were held to day. At the first it was decided to ask Congress to hold the Panama Exposition in the Trans Mississippi section. New Orleans and San Francisco both want.

hundred Mormon men, including six apostles, who had taken post-Manifesto wives. For the impact of this disclosure, see Richard S. Van Wagoner, *Mormon Polygamy: A History* (Salt Lake City: Signature Books, 1986), 185-87.

I ate my Thanksgiving with a Mr. Sweeton of Kansas City, Mo. at the Saint Anthony Hotel.

[Went to mission conference in Kelsey, Texas, and to Independence, Missouri.]

Wednesday, Nov. 30, 1910 - Independence, Missouri

Samuel O. Bennion, John L. Herrick and I visited Richmond, Ray Co., Mo. We met Charles Whitmer, a Nephew of David Whitmer who took us to His grave in the new cemetery.

The head stone of David Whitmer Base is dark sand stone 2 feet squair, sub Base Marbel about 14 inches squair. Column is Marbel about three feet in length surmounted by the Bible and Book of Mormon in stone. The entire Monument is five feet high. The inscriptions on the west front is as follows. The record of the Jews and the Record of the Nephites are one.

Truth is eternal. On the sub Base the name Whitmer is Inscribed with the name "Father and Mother" just above.

After visiting the grave of David Whitmer we called upon his grandson George W. Schweich who went to the Hotel and took dinner with us. We called upon his mother.

We went to the old grave yard to visit the grave of Oliver Cowdery and Hyrum Page but we could not locate them but were told they were in the north end of the Cemetery. We found the grave of Jacob Whitmer. The stone at his head is a Marbel slab about four feet high.

We returned to Independence having had a most pleasing day.

Of the three witnesses to the Book of Mormon Two are burried in Missouri and one, Martin Harris at Clarkston, Cache Co., Utah. Of the eight witnesses five are burried in the State of Missouri and Three at Nauvoo, Ill.

Thursday, Dec. 1, 1910 - Independence

Bro. Samuel O. Bennion and I went to Kansas City and He bought me an elegant Suit of Clothes. We returned to Independence and Visited the Danielson Plow works. I had a long talk with Samuel Peterson and Bro. Danielson over the financial condition of the Business. More Money has got to be had or the business will go under. We had a nice dinner at the Mission house.

At 3 p.m. I made a Call upon Joseph Smith, President of the Re-organized Church. He is nearly blind and also very Deaf. He is in good health and weighs 206 pounds. In the evening Bro. Samuel O. Bennion and I met Bro. John L. Herrick at the Union Depot and Bro. John L. Herrick and I took train for the west.

Sunday, Dec. 4, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I have been gone 16 days, have traveled 4,376 miles and attended twenty-five meetings of various kinds.

I called upon my son George Albert at John Acombs. He has walked four miles to day.

Monday, Dec. 5, 1910 - Salt Lake City

We have word from Washington that there is danger of the overthrow of the Diaz government [of Mexico].

We sent John M. Cannon to warn our people about being cautious about taking sides but to carefully guard their homes.

Monday, Dec. 12, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I was with Presidents J. F. Smith and A. H. Lund in the office during the forenoon.

We had visits with J. E. Talmage and Joel Ricks. Gov. Wm. Spry also made a call and talked over Railroad matters and also some troubles of things that are confronting him. The nation is being considerably excited over our affairs.

Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I had a call this evening from Judge Warren E. Dusenberry. He is in poverty and wants help to the tune of \$240.00 he wants to borrow. I went to school to him for a short time.

Friday, Dec. 16, 1910 - North Ogden

President Joseph F. Smith, Bp. David A. Smith and Myself went to North Ogden to day and in company with a number of People from Ogden City. At 11 a.m. We convened with the Saints in the new meeting house. Bp. James Ward presiding. The building with its Church and Amusement hall and six rooms for Sunday school classes Cost \$26,000.

Tuesday, Dec. 20, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The time up until noon was spent by the Presidency talking over with John C. Cutler matters in regard to the Hotel Utah and the combining of the Utah Co[unty] electrical plants owned by Jesse Knight and others.

Friday, Dec. 23, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent by the Presidency in the office most of the time. I met for a short time with the directors of the Utah National Bank.

In the evening the party who went to Vermont to dedicate the Monument at the Birth place of Joseph Smith about 75 persons were present. We had an elegant meal, some good singing and reciting and speaking.

Sunday, Dec. 25, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I attended the meetings of the Ensign Stake. I spoke at the Assembly Hall with Bros. R. W. Young, Romney, Alonzo Young[?] Jos. Wells and Prest. A. H. Lund.

2 p.m. at the Tabernacle Prest. Joseph F. Smith did the preaching.

I ate my Christmas dinner at Josephines. We had a very pleasant Christmas.

Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1910 - Salt Lake City

I spent a short time at Hyrum Groesbeck in the evening. His wife is very sick. Josephine stoped over night there.

Mark Austin of Sugar City, Idaho gave me and my son George Albert one hundred dollars each.

Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1910 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency were busy in the forenoon. We had several calers. We went at 12 noon to the Photographer Galery of Bro. Thomas and had our Pictures taken in various forms.

Thursday, Dec. 29, 1910 - Salt Lake City

At 9 a.m. the Presidency, Bp. C. W. Nibley and Franklin Richards and I met and talked the Saltair Railroad and Beach. I and C. W. Nibley and Franklin S. Richards were appointed a Committee to determine other differences with Nelson and Langford.

Friday, Dec. 30, 1910 - Salt Lake City

Most of the day was spent in the office by the Presidency. We sat again for our pictures at Mr. Thomas Art Galary.

Sarah is at Ogden and Josephine is at Farmington.

B. F. Grant gave us a little of the inner workings of the American party and some of the Masons orders.

Sunday, Jan. 1, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I attended the fast meeting in the [Temple]. All of the Presidency spoke and some ten others.

I had dinner at Sara F. at 1 p.m.

2 p.m. Ward fast meeting.

I paid \$5.00 fast offering and \$5.00 for house support.

At the Beehive house at 6 p.m. Prest. Joseph F. Smith set apart Emmeline B. Wells as President of the Relief Society. A. H. Lund set apart as first Counsellor to Sister Wells my sister Clarissa W. S. Williams. I was mouth in setting apart Julina L. Smith as second Counsellor.

Monday, Jan. 2, 1911 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. to day Ann M. Groesbeck died. She was the Wife of Hyrum S. Groesbeck and was about 55 years old.

Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Bp. C. W. Nibley, Frank S. Richards and I met with Nelson and Langford and talked over the Matter of handling the Saltair Matter.

We determined foreclose on the bonds and Issue a new bond, the Church to have two hundred thousand and Nelson and Langford to have one hundred and fifty thousand. The two to go halvers in the expense and the Church to be protected by the Insurance as now held.

The Rail road to hold the shorter bonds of Saltair.

Thursday, Jan. 5, 1911 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the Presidency and all of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson and Reed Smoot met and Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs were also present. Prayer by A. W. Ivins. Mouth at the Altar A. H. Lund. Reports were made. Some letters were read. We talked over the question as to what to do with men who it was presumed had violated the Church Rules about marrying plural wives.

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. met and talked over the questions of the proper treatment of Customers by Clerks.

Monday, Jan. 9, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The entire day was spent in the office receiving Callers and Receiving and answering letters.

Money is hard to get. I received a letter from Perry G. Snow wanting me to Borrow money for him.

Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I mailed to P. G. Snow, Continental and Commercial National Bank, Chicago, Ill. Draft No. 106936 for \$25.00 Made to me and endorsed to him.

I attended with my Daughter Elizabeth The Reception given by Gov. Wm. Spry and Wife at the Odeon to the state and other officers.

Thursday, Jan. 12, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Nevada Land and Cattle Co. board. Also the stock Holders. We elected the old board of Directors.

The Knitting Co. board also met. The business has run behind to the tune of \$10,000.00.

Friday, Jan. 13, 1911 - Salt Lake City

My daughter Elizabeth was operated for her eye at the Grove Hospital by Dr. Stauffer.

Sunday, Jan. 15, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I blest the 2nd son of My son Nicholas G. and gave him the name of John Henry Smith.

Saturday, Jan. 21, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Presidents Jos. F. Smith, A. H. Lund and Myself spent the forenoon in the office. Willis Brown of Minadoka of Idaho called upon N. S. Hess in trouble with his wife who has left him taking three children with her. I asked by Telephone for Bro. Chas. F. Middleton to see Sister Brown and have a talk with her and I wrote her a letter.

Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1911 - Salt Lake City

It was a busy day. The forenoon was devoted by the Presidency in receiving Company and Reading and answering letters.

I met with the Governor and several gentlemen to talk over the bringing together the flood waters of the Weber and Provo Rivers and Reservoiring at the head of Provo Kanyon.

At 4:30 the Sunday School Union board met.

Wednesday, Feb. 1, 1911 - Salt Lake City

It was a mild, warm day. I met with the Directors of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. Also the Directors of the Con. W. & M. Co. The Manager and Executive Committee of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. met and decided to improve the Electrical plant on Bear River. It will cost about \$50,000.00. The Y.M.M.I.A. board met at 5 p.m. I spent the evening at home.

I have just finished Scotts Waverly and Theo. Roosevelts trip in Africa.

Thursday, Feb. 2, 1911 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the Presidency and all of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot and A. W. Ivins met in the Temple.

Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs [present].

I got excused and went out and blest my Sister Elizabeth Cartwright who with her husband [left] for Minnesota to have a surgical operation on her throat at the Mayos institute.

Friday, Feb. 3, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the office. The school board met and heard some reports from Supt. H. H. Cummings. Some wild ideas [regarding organic evolution and higher biblical criticism] are getting into Brigham Young University at Provo. Three of the Professors are belittling the Bible.

Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the office. The Presidency with Arthur Winter went over the Church stocks and in some cases revalued them.

Saturday, Feb. 11, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day until 4 p.m. was spent in the office by the Presidency. Nine thousand five hundred was appropriated by the church to meeting houses. I spent the evening at home.

Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the office, All of the Presidency being present. It is very cold.

The Sunday School Union board met at 4:30 p.m. We had a talk over some reports of an interference by Presidencies of Stakes with the Sunday School. We are getting reports from the Superintendents.

Wednesday, Feb. 15, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I paid To Willard T. Cannon the final payment on the Dover Hotel building for J[osephine] G. Smith \$258.41.

Thursday, Feb. 16, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The Directors of Z.C.M.I. [met] at 3 p.m. and heard yearly reports. We increased our dividend for the year.

Saturday, Feb. 18, 1911 - Salt Lake City

John W. Taylor came into the office this morning very much angered at President Francis M. Lyman and the Twelve. He ordered A. H. Lund and John Smith out of the office. He demanded an Interview with Prest. Joseph F. and me. He was quite wild. He staid over two hours. He said he had cursed My son George Albert for something He had said about [?] and had threatened to kill him. He demanded that President J. F. Smith call the Counsel of fifty to protect him from the Twelve in his violations of the law [for polygamy]. He felt nearly as bad about Hyrum M. Smith as he did about [entry ends]

Monday, Feb. 20, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency were at the office all day.

At 11 a.m. the Board of Trustees of the Brigham Young University met in the office.

Present: Joseph F. Smith, Prest. Joseph Murdock, Jonathan Page Jr., Stephen A. Chipman, W. H. Dusenberry and Myself, Susa Y. Gates, R. W. Young, and Willard Young of the [Church] Board [of Education], Prests. F. M. Lyman, A. W. Ivins, H. H. Cummings, Supt. of the Faculty, Geo. H. Brimhall and Jos. B. Keeler.

We agreed that the Presidency of the Faculty should Consider the Cases of the Teacher[s] in the University Henry and Jos. Peterson and R. V. Chamberlain.¹⁶

¹⁶The three professors, who refused to change their teaching on evolution, were

Thursday, Feb. 23, 1911 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the Presidency and All of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot & O. H. Whitney were present. Patriarch John Smith and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs were also present.

Prayer by Geo. Albert Smith. Mouth at the Altar president Joseph F. Smith.

Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I spent the day in the office with Presidents J. F. Smith and A. H. Lund. We read to the Twelve some letters from Isaac Rusell and Ex President Theodore Roosevelt.

I called to see Aunt Emmeline B. Wells who will be 83 years old tomorrow.

Friday, March 3, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent at the office. We appropriated some Money to meeting houses and some to a Snow Academy Gymnasium.

Saturday, March 4, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the office. We passed upon several appropriations. A number of Callers represented distressed persons in Millard Co. and at Payson.

Monday, March 6, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the office. \$20,000.00 was guaranteed by the Trustee in Trust for the Birtner[?] people. Wm. Bancroft[?] of Payson got \$10,000.00 loan.

Tuesday, March 7, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I sent P. G. Snow my check for \$25.00. The Snows and Lamberts are to send him \$25.00.

The Presidency visited the Temple and gave orders for the placing of more toilets in that building.

Friday, March 10, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Most of the day was spent in the Office. \$16,830.00 was appropriated to Meeting houses. One hundred thousand dollars in Utah Hotel bonds were bought to day.

Tuesday, March 14, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Bro. Reed Smoot has returned from Washington with his wife.

either fired or resigned. For a broad view of this controversy, see Gary James Bergera and Ronald Priddis, *Brigham Young University: A House of Faith* (Salt Lake City: Signature Books, 1985), 131-71.

I spent most of the evening at My son George Albert who[se] wife is very sick.

Thursday, March 16, 1911 - Salt Lake City

My son George Alberts wife Lucy W. Smith underwent an operation at the hands of Dr. Middleton to day in the L.D.S. Hospital.

Friday, March 17, 1911 - Salt Lake City

During the noon hour I met with the Manager and Executive committee of the Utah Idaho Sugar Company. We had a good year. It is decided to recommend the appropriation of sufficient to pay a 7 per cent dividend for this year.

Saturday, March 18, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Myself and wives attended the 55 birthday party of Susa Y. Gates. Fifty people were present. Prest. J. F. Smith, Senator R. Smoot and Gov. Wm. Spry was present.

We had a very pleasant evening.

Wednesday, March 22, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I went to Spanish Fork with both my wives. I bought \$268.75 worth of goods and paid thirty dollars tithing.

Tuesday, March 28, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent at the office. The Twelve have excommunicated John W. Taylor from the Church for Insubordination to day.

I called to see Lucy W. Smith at the Hospital. I also called upon my son Winslow Farr Smith. Geo. A. and I called at James M. Savilles home. At[e] Ice cream with them and blest him.

Wednesday, March 29, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The forenoon was largely spent in reading some documents on John D. Lee by Josiah Rogerson who made the short hand report at Beaver at the time of Lees trial [for the Mountain Meadows Massacre].

Saturday, April 1, 1911 - Salt Lake City

We in company with a large number of other gentlemen Visited the Utah Hotel from Dome to Basement. It is a Magnificent structure.

Thursday, April 6, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I was taken seriously ill at 4 a.m. Dr. H. Z. Lund was called.

Conference Convened at 10 a.m.

Friday, April 7, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Sick at home in bed all day. Had a few callers.

Sunday, April 9, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I am improving slowly. The conference closed to day. It is said to have been one of the greatest ever held.

Monday, April 10, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I am improving slowly, being up most of the day. I am reading Scotts Novel Quentin Durward.

Wednesday, April 12, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I called over to Josephine a little while.

Thursday, April 13, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I called up at the office a short time.

Friday, April 14, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Still at home most of the day. Called at Josephines.

Saturday, April 15, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I was at the office with Prest. J. F. Smith and Lund during the forenoon.

Sunday, April 16, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I had dinner at Josephines. My son Geo. Alberts Wife came home from the Hospital today. She is now suffering from the Milk leg.

Tuesday, April 18, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I spent part of the afternoon in the Office.

I paid my son George Albert on Account \$100.00.

Thursday, April 20, 1911 - Salt Lake City

At 10 a.m. all of the Presidency and all of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot and David O. McKay were present. Patriarch John Smith was absent. Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs was present.

Many letters were read and suggestions made as to answering Magazine Articles. We concluded to use [entry ends]

Friday, April 21, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Most of the day was spent in the office by all of the Presidency. Mr. Jordan received three hundred and fifty dollars to aid him in his work.

Sunday, April 23, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I heard Dr. Jas. E. Talmage lecture in the Tabernacle on the King James Translation of the Bible which was accepted three hundred years ago to day.

Tuesday, April 25, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the office. I have felt uncommonly well. My son Joseph Harmon Smith had a son born to day.

Friday, April 28, 1911 - Salt Lake City

We had a call from A Mr. Cole who comes here to contend in favor of a wet state. He is evidently quite a cunning Man.

Saturday, April 29, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Mr. Robinson of the London Times called on us. We spent some time with him. He sent a long message to his Paper.

Wednesday, May 3, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The Presidency spent the day in the Office. A reporter of the New York World called upon us for information in regard to the Magazine articles.

Sunday, May 7, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I attended the Fast Meeting in the Temple. I spoke a few words. Eleven others spoke. Prest. Jos. F. Smith dwelt largely on the Insordination that had grown up in the Matter of Plural Marriages.

Wednesday, May 10, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The forenoon was spent in the Office. H. J. Grant & Co. Directors met, also the Directors of the Home Fire Insurance Co. The Y.M.M.I.A. board of Directors met at 5 p.m. The Question of the lack of faith in Many of the young people was talked over.

Thursday, May 11, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I received a Telegram from Grace Littleton, New Hampshire. My Cousin Henry Clay Libbey died on Tuesday May 9th of Pneumonia.

At 10:30 a.m. All of the Presidency, all of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot and David O. McKay were present in the Temple. Prayer by Joseph F. Smith Jr. I was mouth at the Altar.

Reports were made and letters of interest were read. We had considerable talk on the best course to pursue in regard hold[ing] our young people in the line of duty.

I telegraphed to my Aunt Mrs. Henry Clay Libbey of Littleton, New Hampshire.

Friday, May 12, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The Prohibition Committee called at the Office in the morning and secured the use of the Tabernacle to speak on Temperance on Sunday.

Tuesday, May 16, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent at the Office. I received an appointment as a Member of the Capitol Building Commission by Gov. Wm. Spry.¹⁷

Wednesday, May 17, 1911 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. I met with the Capitol commission. Present Gov. Wm. Spry, Secretary C. S. Tingey, Attorney Barnes, Col. C. E. Loose and Myself. Several Architects met with us. We talked over Matters quite freely.

We decided to go and see several state Capitols.

Saturday, May 20, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon in the Office. At 5 p.m. the Capitol Commission met. All the members were present. The Secretary of State and Attorney General leave for the East Monday May 22nd. The ballance are to go on the following Monday.

Tuesday, May 23, 1911 - Salt Lake City

H. J. Grant took Mr. Robinson of the London Times and A. H. Lund, His Wife and Sister in law and Myself for a ride up in Big Cottonwood Canyon in his Auto. The canyon is most beautifull.

Wednesday, May 24, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the office. We appropriated some money to meeting houses and also to the LeGrand Young Railway. Mr. Robinson of the London Times called upon us and made some suggestion in regard to taking from the Key to Theology and Compendium some passages in regard to Plural Marriage.

Sunday, May 28, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I attended and presided at the fast meeting in the Temple. We had a nice time.

2 p.m. I was at the fast meeting in the 17th ward. I was mouth in blessing my Grandson and naming him Robert McKinnon after his Mothers Father.

Wednesday, May 31, 1911 - Salt Lake City

My son George Albert and I left for the East at 7:40 a.m. over the Union Pacific.

Monday, June 5, 1911 - St. Paul, Minnesota

We reached here at 7:30 a.m. and went to the Hotel and had breakfast. We called at the Capitol at 9:30 a.m. met the Governor and several state

¹⁷The 1911 session of the Utah legislature had just approved the building of a new state capitol building. The legislature had been meeting in the City and County Building.

officers. The Secretary of State escorted through the building. It cost 4 Million five hundred thousand dollars and is in fine form. It is of Vermont Granite out side and a great variety of Marble from all over the land and from foreign lands.

The Executive officers are on the ground floor and the Courts and Legislative on the second floor.

It is a most creditable building.

We rode about sixty miles in an auto to Minneapolis and in the parks and grounds.

We left for Madison, Wisconsin being very tired.

Tuesday, June 6, 1911 - Madison, Wisconsin

We reached here at 7:20 a.m. had breakfast at the station and went to the Capitol. It is built in the form of A Maltese Cross. It is but partially done but will cost when completed six Millions of dollars. It is also built of Vermont Granite and steel. Many beautiful stones are used in the interior. The four entrances are in the Angels. The Legislature was in session here. We met several leading men and was introduced to the speaker of the house the Governor and other officers.

Thursday, June 8, 1911 - Boston

We reached here at 10:40 a.m. put up at the Hotel Loraine. We visited the Capitol. It is a Grand Old Pile More for the traditions connected with it than for its beauty of Design. It is made up of many additions. I[t] has splendid Corridors and some fine rooms with painting and sculpture. We met Gov. Foss and several other Officers who all treated us nicely.

Friday, June 9, 1911 - Augusta, Maine

We went to Augusta, Maine and looked over their Capitol. It has Cost about two Million dollars. It looks well from the out side but is very plainly furnished on the inside. We saw the Governor of the state and other Officers.

We visited the Holowell Quarries of White Granite.

We returned to Boston at 11:30 p.m. I met Junius F. Wells and we decided to leave the party and Visit Kindred in New Hampshire, Vermont and Northern New York states.

Saturday, June 10, 1911 - Boston to New Hampshire

J. F. Wells called and we arranged to met him at White River Junction. The party except Geo. A. and me will Visit Hartford Ct. and Providence R.I.

We went to Whitefield N. H. and put up at John Q. A. Libbey who is over 80 years and quite feeble. [He] is my Mothers only living brother, his

wife is nearly blind and a little younger than he. We had a nice visit during the evening. Their adopted daughter Effa Armington lives with them.

Sunday, June 11, 1911 - Whitefield, New Hampshire

My Cousin Milford Libbey called with an Auto and took us to Littleton where we visited Mrs. H. C. Libbey and two daughters. The old lady is very feeble being partially Parelized. We visited the grave [of] Henry Clay Libbey my Mothers brother. A very nice monument covers his grave.

I visited the Graves of my Grand Father Nathaniel Libbey and my Grand Mother Tirzah Lord Libbey and the Graves of My Uncles Charles, Jeremiah Cole, Geo. W. and Nathaniel Webster Libbey and their wives and some of their Decendants.

All have Nice Monuments.

We also called upon several Cousins. We stoped over night with Milford Libbey.

Monday, June 12, 1911 - Whitefield and Vermont

We bid our Kinspeople good bye and went by train to White River Junction. We were met by J. F. Wells, Ben E. Rich and a Mr. Milne and Mayor Boutwell of Montpelier, Vermont who took us in his Auto to the Joseph Smith Monument where Bro. Brown gave lunch. We planted 6 trees. We called at the Barre Marble Quarries. Went through the Capitol.

We met twenty Elders and gave some advice and shook hands with. Said good by to friends at Montpelier and went to St. Albans.

Tuesday, June 13, 1911 - Winthrop, New York

We went to Winthrop, St. Lawrence Co., N.Y. We visited some of the Decendants of Grand Fathers Jesse and Silas. We made our home at Dr. W. C. Smith, grand son of Grand Father Silas. Bayard Taylor and a son of Dr. Smith took us out to the graves of Great Grand Father Asahel Smith and a number of other relatives. Among Grand Father Jesse Smith. We were much pleased with all of our relatives.

Wednesday, June 14, 1911 - Winthrop

We stoped over night at Dr. W. C. Smiths. He reached home and we had a short visit with him. He is a Most usefull man in this Community. We called and bid Mrs. Seaver and son good bye.

Mrs. Sawin went with us to Norwood, where we had dinner with The Reeds, who received us very warmly. Mrs. Reed is a Sister of Mrs. Sawin and is a lovely lady and Mr. Reed a pleasing gentleman. We had an elegant dinner. We went on to Potsdam and Visited the old home where my Father was born. It is now delapidated but was an eight roomed house but one story high and was of wood.

We called upon Clarence Smith, R. Emmet and Ernest Perrin. The later are twins. They are great Grand sons of Uncle Jesse Smith. At 6 p.m.

we left for Washington, D. C. I was more than pleased to be here with my son George Albert.

Thursday, June 15, 1911 - New York City and Washington, D.C.

We reached [New York City] at about 8 a.m. We were Met by Prest. Ben E. Rich in the Great [Grand] Central R. R. Station and taken to the Pennsylvania Station where we took train for Washington.

We were met [by] Nicholas Morgan and taken to Senator Reed Smoots and met him. We went to the Capitol and met some friends.

We met our party and arranged to leave for Indianapolis, Indiana at 6 p.m.

Friday, June 16, 1911 - Indianapolis and Louisville

We reached Indianapolis, Indiana at 1:30 p.m. and Met Gov. Marshall and we were shown through the building and was well pleased [with] it and the City.

I received a Telegram from Reed Smoot. I was not needed at Washington, D.C. We went on to Louisville, Kentucky and put up at the Hotel Sielbach.

Saturday, June 17, 1911 - Louisville, Kentucky

We went to Frankfort and Visited the Capitol meeting the Lt. Governor and Several other officers. This building cost less than two Million dollars and is very much like the one at Providence R.I.

Monday, June 19, 1911 - Denver

We reached Denver at 10 a.m. went to a hotel and got Dinner and We spent the afternoon at the Capitol and was shown through it. It [is] a grand structure built of home stone. It aint well lighted. All of our party but George Albert and I left for home this evening. We went to our Mission home and stoped and had a very pleasant evening. Some of the Elders and saints came in and gave us some music. We spoke to them. President John L. Herrick was away [but] his wife treated us Royaly.

Wednesday, June 21, 1911 - Salt Lake City

We reached home early and went right of[f] home. Found all well [but] Stanly our grandson. We have been gone 22 days and have travelled 7,747 Miles. Visited 9 Capitol buildings and had a good time.

I spent the afternoon with Presidents Joseph F. Smith and Lund at the Office. The former is quite poorly.

Friday, June 23, 1911 - Salt Lake City

President Joseph F. Smith and Bp. C. W. Nibley left for Washington, D. C. to appear before Congress on Sugar Matters.

Prest. Lund and I spent the day in the Office.

Saturday, June 24, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Capitol Committee at the Gov. Offices at 2 p.m. We were taken by some real estate men to visit a new proposed site for the Capitol building on the East Bench. It would be a Very fine one. We also visited the Grounds established by law riding 8 miles in Autos. All of the Committee were present, the Governor presiding. We decided to visit some of the stone quarries on Wednesday.

I informed the Secretary of State my bill for the trip was \$227.06.

Prest. A. H. Lund and I was informed by David O. McKay that it was being Circulated in Ogden City that the Presidency of the Church favored Ogden going Dry and Salt Lake going wet. We denied the statement.

Sunday, June 25, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Myself and wives, W. N. Williams and wife, Hyrum Cartwright and wife and two children, Mary A. Wimmer, Bathsheba S. Merrill, Isabel Martin Smith went to Provo where we met Sarah M. Colton and Grace L. Cheaver at her home and spent the day. Commemorating the 94 birthday of our Father which will be tomorrow.

Tuesday, June 27, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I voted dry at 7 a.m. to day.

I went to Ogden and Met Ben L. Rich. I made my report on the Nancy B. Farr Estate as administrator. My report was received and approved and I was discharged by Judge Harris.

Wednesday, June 28, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The state has gone dry. A few Cities have gone wet.

I was in the office during the forenoon with Prest. A. H. Lund.

During the Afternoon all of the members of the Capitol commission and three other parties went in Autos up Little Cottonwood Canyon and examined some of the Granite Mountains to find Materials to build the Capitol. We found some excelent Rock. We left two experienced Rock men to look farther.

Thursday, June 29, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Capitol Commission. Present Secretary C. S. Tingey, Attorney General Barnes, Col. C. Loose, John Dern and myself. We met the experts who examined the stone and approved their Vouchers for services.

We approved all bills presented for the expenses of going east but mine which was not presented.

I attended the Dedication Services of Whitney Hall. Orson F. Whitney Offered the Dedicatory Prayer.

The Cake and Ice Cream was passed. Dancing followed and all went Merry as a Marriage Bell.

Saturday, July 1, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I went to Provo and drove out to my farm. Met Mr. Nelson and he is to Surrender to me my farm this fall and pay me \$25.00.

Sunday, July 2, 1911 - Salt Lake City

President Joseph F. Smith and Bp. C. W. Nibley reached home this evening from Washington, D.C. after a most satisfactory trip.

Monday, July 3, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The Temple workers went up Emmigration Canyon for a Holliday. The Presidency intended to go but missed the train at 11:45 a.m. Bro. A. H. Lund joined them later. Prest. Joseph F. Smith and I cleared up the business on hand as a result of his absents.

He was well treated by Prest. Taft and all the leading men he met. Josephine and I took a ride of 8 miles on the street car.

Tuesday, July 4, 1911 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency spent the forenoon in the Office.

I was at home during the afternoon and evening. It was a very quiet day. All of the Resorts were well patronized. I have never known a time so quiet on our Natal day.

Thursday, July 6, 1911 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and all of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson and Reed Smoot were present. John Smith Patriarch and Geo. F. Gibbs were also present.

Friday, July 7, 1911 - Salt Lake City

At 3:30 p.m. The Directors of the Utah Mexican Rubber Co. met at their office. It was rather a stormy meeting, John McAllister being quite grouty.

Reports were read showing our plantation to be in fair Condition. A large amount of money is due us by Acerage holders. I rode on street cars 10 miles.

Monday, July 10, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I met at 2 p.m. with the Capitol Commission and we determined to invite five Architects from out side of our state and to ask all within our state if they would like to Compete.

Tuesday, July 11, 1911 - Salt Lake City

At 2 p.m. all of the Presidency met with five of the Conser-

vation Committee, Bp. T. R. Cutler and others. We talked the empounding of flood waters of the Weber River and the Provo River in Provo Canyon.

I met with Sugar board and the Sunday School.

Wednesday, July 12, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The forenoon was spent in the office.

In the afternoon I met with Directors of the Home Fire Insurance Co., Heber J. Grant and Co. Also the Young Mens board.

Thursday, July 13, 1911 - Salt Lake City

It is another very hot day.

All of the Presidency and all of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson and Reed Smoot met.

We had our usual singing and prayer.

We had some talk about some of the supposed New Cases of Plural Marriage.

At 11:45 p.m. Prest. Jos. F. Smith and Wife Alice and four sons and seven daughters and one grand daughter, Myself, Josephine G. and Arzella and Josephine, our daughters, Dr. S. B. Young, Bp. C. W. Nibley and Wife Ellen and daughter left in the Pallace Car Oppius for LaGrande, Oregon.

Saturday, July 15, 1911 - LaGrande, Oregon

We reached here about 1 a.m. and remained in our Car until Morning.

At 10 a.m. We went to Conference.

At 2 p.m. several Bishops reported as also the President of the Stake.

We went to Perry to the home of William Stoddard. We visited the great Saw Mill here and stoped over night.

Thursday, July 20, 1911 - Seattle, Washington

We arrived here at 7 a.m. The day was spent in riding about the City.

The People here are Celebrating what they call here the Golden Potlach (or harvest) of Gold from Alaska, When \$750,000.00 of nuggets of Gold was brought into the Country many years ago. We witnessed a Wonderful Procession of many floats representing many Industries in many of the walks of life. A number of Nationalities were represented.

Our party was entertained by different familys of the Saints.

Friday, July 21, 1911 - Seattle

We went on the Steamer Princess Charlotte to Victoria, Vancouver,

British Columbia. We visited the Capitol Building and the Park, spending about three hours in the City and Visiting the sea side. We returned on the Steamship Princess Adelaide to Seattle about 9 p.m. About 10 p.m. we left for Portland.

Saturday, July 22, 1911 - Portland, Oregon

We reached here at 7 a.m. and to the Conference house and had breakfast.

We paid a visit to the Cement Plant Seven Miles up the Willamette River being Constructed [by] Bp. C. W. Nibley and Others.

Sunday, July 23, 1911 - Portland

We held meeting at 10 a.m. in the meeting house. S. B. Young, Myself, C. W. Nibley and Prest. J. F. Smith spoke to the Sunday school.

7 p.m. We held another meeting and all spoke again.

After meeting I met my son Glenn G. who left home some days ago. He is well. We slept at the Conference House.

Monday, July 24, 1911 - Portland

Our entire party took a boat ride up to Oregon City and Back. We visited a great Paper Mill just at the falls of the Willamette River.

We had dinner at the home of Alex Nibley and at 6:30 p.m. we left for Pocatello.

My son did not meet his Mother this morning but I met him a short time and talked to him gently.

Wednesday, July 26, 1911 - Yellowstone Park

At 12:30 a.m. we left for Yellowstone Park. We reached here at 7 a.m. and left in two Coaches to go around the Park.

We drove on to the Old Faithfull Inn and Put up for the night. We saw several Geysers shoot. We saw some Black and Brown Bears. The Hotel is of logs and is a marvel of its Kind. It cost about one hundred thousand dollars or more. 120 Rooms.

Saturday, July 29, 1911 - Canyon Hotel, Yellowstone Park

We drove to Norris Basin and viewed the Many boiling water pots, the spouting Geysers. The variety of the paint pot holes and the Growler. We had dinner and Drove down the Gibbon and Madison Rivers to the Yellowstone Station in Montana.

My Drivers name was Dickerson and his home is at Weiser, Idaho. I gave him \$2.00. We found our Car ready on train and at 7:30 p.m. we left for home. We gave the Porters \$25.00 each.

Sunday, July 30, 1911 - Salt Lake City

We reached home at 7:40 found all well. We held 81 meetings and traveled 3,052 miles by Railway, Auto and Coach.

I attended meeting in the Tabernacle at 2 p.m. It was Liberty Stake Conference. Geo. F. Richards and Nephi L. Morris spoke.

Monday, July 31, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the office. Many letters were read. We received Callers and listened to Paper by Bro. Young for the Encyclopedia. I paid to Zions Savings Bank and Trust Co. Interest on Dover Hotel \$105.00.

Tuesday, Aug. 1, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I paid to day for side walk in front of old home \$40.05, Aunt Mollies home \$22.56, Chismon Place, \$188.88, the \$88.88 being interest.

Wednesday, Aug. 2, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I paid a number bills. Among them \$306.00 Interest, 37.65 my Clothes, Bennett G. & P. \$33.26 for Paint, Noal Bros. \$16.25, Higham Co. \$9.60.

Saturday, Aug. 5, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Pres. Jos. F. Smith and I was in the office most of the day.

We received a Frenchman who is the Correspondent of some Paris, France newspaper.

Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I attended a Meeting [of] the Physicians in Barrett Hall and offered the opening Prayer.

The Governor spoke words of Welcome. I spent the afternoon at the office and evening at home.

My son Glenn G. after an absence of one month returned home to day having traveled two thousand fifty miles on Brake Beams, Freight Cars and on bars under sleeping cars. He seems wonderfully glad to get home.

Wednesday, Aug. 9, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the Office in part.

I had a treatment to day at the Gymnasium.

We received information to day that a Conspiracy existed to take pictures of the inside of the Temple.

Friday, Aug. 11, 1911 - Salt Lake City

In company with Bp. Thos. R. Cutler, Wm. R. Wallace, Pres. Joseph F. Smith, Myself and L. L. Hains left in an Auto to Visit the proposed Canal from the Weber River to the Provo and around through Summit, Wasatch and Utah and Salt Lake Counties.

We left at 7:30 a.m. and at 9 a.m. we met Thos. L. Allen at Wanship. We went to the Proposed intake and followed the intended Canal down to Provo the first day. We looked at the Deer Creek Reservoir and the intakes in the Provo Canyon near the Power dam.

We attended a Banquet in the evening at the Roberts Hotel given by the Provo Commercial Club. Mr. Fisher, Secretary of the Interior [was there]. Gov. Wm. Spry made a speech as did Mr. Fisher and others.

Saturday, Aug. 12, 1911 - Provo and Salt Lake City

We stoped in the hotel over night.

At 7:30 a.m. We followed the proposed Canal out to the divide between Utah and Cedar Vallies and from a high point took a look in all directions. We went through Lehi and by way of the point of the Mountain over to Herriman and Across Salt Lake Valley home. The proposition is a feasable one but will cost a mint of money. We reached home about 1:30 p.m. having traveled about 187 miles. The afternoon was spent in the office clearing up our letters.

Sunday, Aug. 13, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I had a good nights rest but found on trying to move about I was very tired. Geo. M. Cannon and R. W. Young spoke in the Tabernacle.

Prest. Joseph F. Smith and I attended meeting in the 20th Ward in a surprise upon Bp. Geo. Romney who will be 80 years old tomorrow.

The speakers in the 20th ward at the surprise on Bp. Geo. Romney were R. W. Young, Myself, John C. Cutler, Joseph F. Smith, Bp. Romney made the response. The house was crowded.

Wednesday, Aug. 16, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent by the Presidency in the Office.

Money matters are very close and many people are idel.

I walked to day four miles and a quarter.

Friday, Aug. 18, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The entire day was spent at the office. Evening at home. I walked five miles.

Saturday, Aug. 19, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I took a treatment at Gymnasium.

Prest. Joseph F. Smith and I spent the day in the Office. We allowed some requests for money and met a few parties and visited with them.

I walked over five miles.

Sunday, Aug. 20, 1911 - Salt Lake City and Farmington

I spent the forenoon at my homes. I presided over the services in the Tabernacle at 2 p.m.

Myself, Wife Josephine, Sons Nathaniel L., Joseph H. and their Wives went up to Farmington and [spent] four hours at our Son Nicholas G. Home. We had a very pleasant [time].

I walked thirty seven Blocks to day. I am gaining in health.

Monday, Aug. 21, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I was with the Capitol Commission at the Governors office.

We talked very freely over the Character of our building.

Tuesday, Aug. 22, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent in the answering and reading of letters. Passing on Meeting house requests. We appropriated about \$20,000.00 for them and Amusement Halls.

Friday, Aug. 25, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The day was spent at the office in the usual routine of business but principally in hearing B. H. Roberts read one of the chapters of the History of Joseph Smith the Prophet prepared for the Americana.

Saturday, Aug. 26, 1911 - Iosepa, Tooele County

President Joseph F. Smith and wife Julina, Wesley Smith and Wife, Albert Davis and Myself and Josephine went in an Auto to Iosepa Colony in Skull Valley.

It took us with stops about five hours. We put up at the home of the younger Brother Waddoups. Gov. Wm. Spry, a Mr. Creel, Indian Agent, H. P. Richards, Wm. and Harvey Cluff came out by train. Bros. Sears, Stringham, Farrell and Hogland Came in an Auto also. They stoped at Prest. Waddoups.

We had a very pleasant time calling upon some of the Natives. Their are Mouries, Samoans and Hawaiins and one Pourtegese.

Sunday, Aug. 27, 1911 - Iosepa

We had a Sunday School Meeting at 10 a.m. Some exercises by the children. Prest. Joseph F. Smith, Myself and Gov. Wm. Spry spoke to the little ones.

2 p.m. We held regular Conference Meeting.

The board held their meeting as also the stock holders.

Monday, Aug. 28, 1911 - Iosepa

Twenty two years ago to day this Settlement was established. It was celebrated by the Hawian Saints. Music and Song. Speeches were made by

Prest. J. F. Smith, Myself, Gov. Wm. Spry and Indian Agent Creel. We had a Banquet in the Hawaiian style. 254 persons sat down to it. Several Nationalities were represented. It was an elegant Meal. The residents went to the playing of games.

At 4 p.m. we left for home. We stoped at Grantsville at Bro. Sam Wooley. We got home at 9 p.m. having traveled 144 miles. We rode in a wagon about 10 Miles.

Tuesday, Aug. 29, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Prest. J. F. Smith and I met with the Directors of the Utah Idaho Sugar Co. I took a bath and Rub at the Gymnasium.

At 3 p.m. I met with the Capitol Commission in the Governors office. All were present.

We passed upon the Program of Competition for the Architects.

The Ware house of C. R. Savage Sons was burned up. About \$22,000.00 dollars was burned. Fire department was short of Water.

Saturday, Sept. 2, 1911 - Salt Lake City

We spent the time until one o clock in the office and then went with Reed Smoot to the Ringling Bros. Circus. It was a good display of Animals and Acrobatic work and we enjoyed it with the thousands of others.

We returned to the office and closed up the days work. I called upon Phillip Margetts Sr. who is eighty three years old and blest him.

Thursday, Sept. 7, 1911 - Salt Lake City

At 10:30 a.m. the Presidency and all of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson, Reed Smoot, Geo. F. Richards and David O. McKay were present. Patriarch John Smith was not present. Geo. F. Gibbs Secretary was present. Prayer Prest. A. H. Lund. Joseph F. Smith Jr. was Mouth at the Altar. We were in Meeting until about three p.m. aside from 15 minutes for Lunch.

In the evening I called at my Son Winslows. I walked five miles.

Friday, Sept. 8, 1911 - Salt Lake City

A baloon is floating over the City.

Another day was spent in the office largely devoted to callers. Two men from Oakland, Cal. want us to buy 25 pages of the Tribune of that City paying a thousand dollars a page in writeups for the Church.

Frank Leslies [magazine] want some articles at quite a price.

I walked six (6) miles to day.

Monday, Sept. 11, 1911 - Salt Lake City

In company with Prests. J. F. Smith and A. H. Lund, H. J. Grant, Reed Smith [Smoot?], Jos. Murdock, Stephen Chipman, Wm. Armstrong, O. C. Beebe, W. J. Fitzgerald, J. B. Keeler, J. W. Knight, H. Heiselt,

Francis Kirkham, John Moon, Clyde R. Stark and Myself went part of us by train to Pleasant Grove, where we were met by Four Autos and taken to the Mouth of Provo Canyon. We ate Peaches and from there went along under the Mount to Wadligns up to the Mouth of American Fork Canyon over the Bench to near point of Mountain back to Lehi. We had dinner and then went to the Pumping plant at the Mouth of Jordan. We also went on the West side of the Lake to where these men intend to put a pumping plant to raise Irrigating water. We went to Bp. Granders Farm and ate our fill of Mellons.

We went on the west side to West Jordan and on home Having traveled by rail 37 Miles and by Auto 117 miles.

Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I spent the forenoon with all of the Capitol Commission but Gov. Wm. Spry. I was at the office part of the day.

I was at the Alta Club building to meet about fifty other persons to talk over the Cannal from the Weber River into the Provo River.

We received a letter saying Photos had been taken of the Interior of the Temple.

Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Mr. Stewart of the law Firm of Stewart & Co. called with a letter from the same fellow who had written us in regard to Pictures of the Interior of the Temple.

We also received six copies of various rooms in that building. The men who took the Pictures were Gottlieb Unthick and Bozzard, Germans by birth. It is said they Claim to have been working at this for five years taking Flash light Pictures and copying records.

We had a call from Thos. Hull in regard to the Contents the Manual has on Socialism. Was at the Meetings [of] Home Life Insurance, H. J. Grant and Co. and Religion classes.

Thursday, Sept. 14, 1911 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and Francis M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, Reed Smoot, Hyrum M. Smith, Geo. A. Smith, Orson F. Whitney and Jos. F. Smith Jr. of the Twelve and Secretary Geo. F. Gibbs met in the Temple at 10 a.m.

Prayer by Prest. Francis M. Lyman. Reed Smoot was Mouth at the Altar. We received six pictures to day from Max Florance in New York showing some of the rooms in the Temple evidently during the Cleaning season.

We had lunch and were in session untill three O clock. I offered the Benediction.

Prest. Joseph F. Smith Telegraphed Max Florance he did not [have] anything to do with Thieves.

Friday, Sept. 15th, 1911 - Salt Lake City

My wife Sarah Farr left at 4:30 p.m. for Chicago with her Sister Mrs. H. J. Sears and two of her children and a son [of?] Perry & Pearl Decker. I was very busy at the office.

Saturday, Sept. 16, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Reporter Trauber called upon me and told me the Temple desecraters had opened desks.

Sunday, Sept. 17, 1911 - Salt Lake City

Prest. Joseph F. Smith and I expected to find desks opened and we did, spending about an hour looking over papers.

Monday, Sept. 18, 1911 - Salt Lake City

At 11 a.m. I met with the Capitol Commission. The afternoon spent in the Office. I wrote to Joseph Smith of Independence and My Wife Sarah F.

Sunday, Sept. 24, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I attended the morning Conference of the Salt Lake Stake.

2 p.m. the funeral of John T. Caine was held.

Monday, Sept. 25, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I received from my wife Sarah F. to day a letter. She has been under the weather with a bad finger. I wrote to her.

The Presidency was all day in the office. My shoulder is bothering through Rhumatic pains.

Tuesday, Sept. 26, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I met with the Capitol Commission. All the members were present.

John Dern and I were appointed a Committee to look after improvement of grounds.

My arm is awfully lame.

Wednesday, Sept. 27, 1911 - Salt Lake City

The forenoon found us busy.

I went to the Sanatarium and took a Turkish bath.

Friday, Sept. 29, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I spent the entire day except one hour with the Directors of the Utah National Bank in the office. We read Whitney Article to the Oakland California Tribune. We had quite a number of Callers and we had a most excelent day.

Sunday, Oct. 1, 1911 - Salt Lake City

I attended the fast meeting in the Temple at 10 a.m. and in the 17th ward at 1 p.m. I spoke in both meetings.

In the evening Prest. Joseph F. Smith and I went to the Reformed Jewish Synagogue. It is an elegant little church. Rabbi Freund with five singers gave the Yom Kippur exercises. It is in celebration of a fast.

Monday, Oct. 2, 1911 - Salt Lake City

It rained all night and most of the day. At 10 a.m. the State Fair opened. I offered the Invocation. J. G. McDonald delivered an Address and delivered the Keys to Gov. Wm. Spry who spoke at length. The band played and all went as Mery as a Marriage Bell, but few were present.

At 8:30 at the Utah Hotel Geo. T. Odell and Wife entertained in the Interest of their daughter Miss Marie Odell. A Nice Ball was given and Many people were present.

Wednesday, Oct. 4, 1911 - Salt Lake City

All of the Presidency and all of the Twelve but Rudger Clawson Met at 10 a.m. in the Temple. We did not go to the Altar. Patriarch John Smith and Secretary George F. Gibbs were also present.

We agreed to let the question of Prohibition alone for a while and try Local Option.

We were instructed to do no radical thing during Conference. All were to preach the Gospel.

Thursday, Oct. 5, 1911 - Salt Lake City

In the office most of the day. President Wm. H. Taft is in our City. To day I was a member of the reception Committee at the [entry ends]

Friday, Oct. 6, 1911 - Salt Lake City

[Date written but no entry.]

[John Henry Smith died on October 13, 1911, in Salt Lake City, Utah.]

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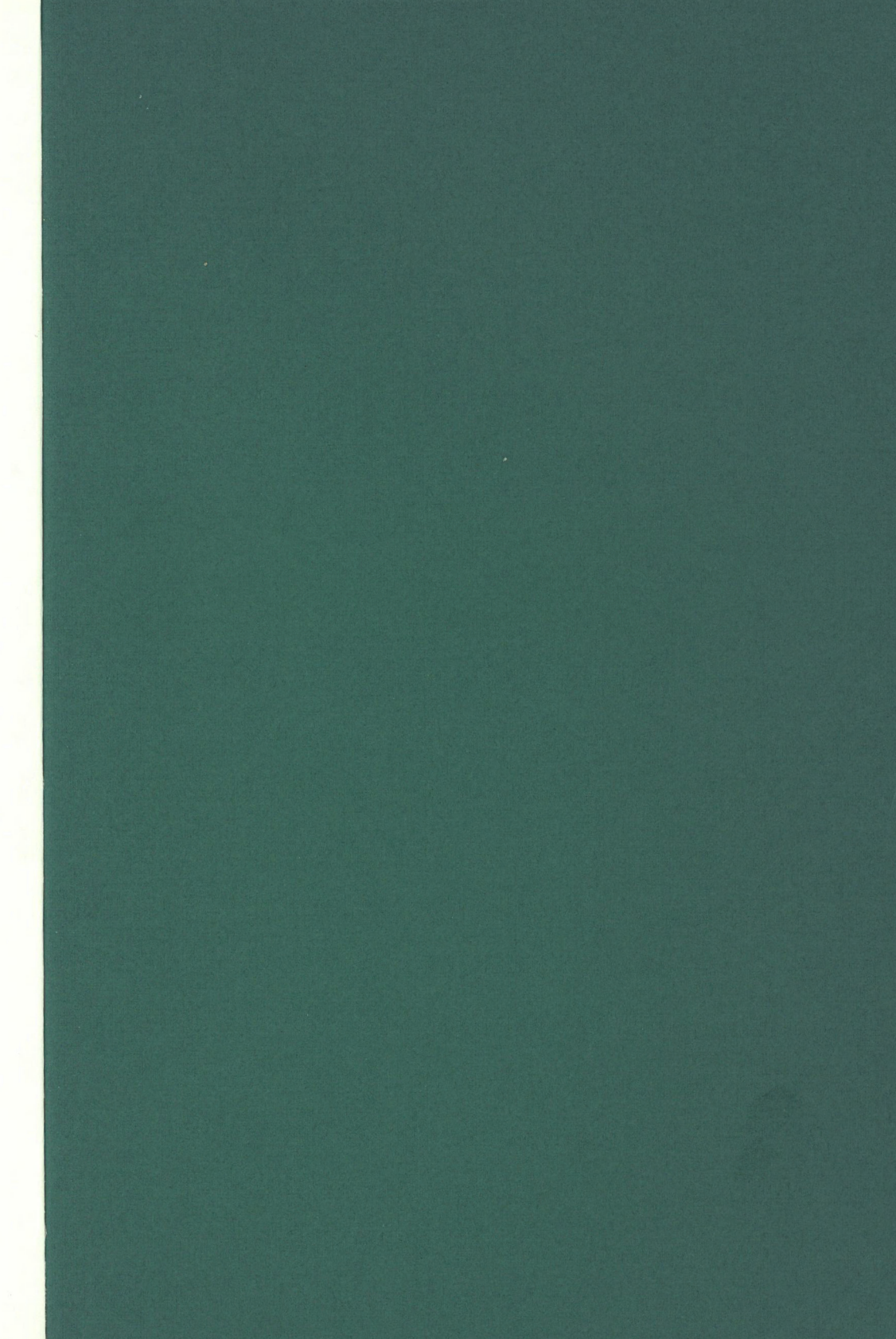
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